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WRECKAGE OF DIRIGIBLE FOUND AT SEA

Paris Flooded By Rushing Waters Of Seine

By WEBB MILLER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Jan. 3.—Three feet of water filled the Foreign Office cellars today as the flooded river Seine continued to overflow its banks and inundate Paris and its environs. Many valuable documents were destroyed. The flood situation has become most critical. Tracks of two Paris terminuses under water and the railway stations have been closed down. The suburbs are suffering worse than the city proper. Persistent heavy rains and melting snows are increasing the difficulties of authorities as they endeavor to check the flood waters.

Rising waters filtered into the basements of the Chamber of Deputies and it is feared will interfere with heating and lighting on the occasion of the opening session next Tuesday.

Six hundred gasoline lights were brought from Versailles for use in case of emergency. Firemen were busy with pumps today.

In the event the flood inundates the Deputes and Concorde districts, authorities plan to wall up the subway station at the chamber put dikes in the sewers and run wooden foot paths across the waters to the doorways of France's house of parliament.

The first flood casualty occurred when a St. Germaine man unable to distinguish between flooded streets and the river, drove his automobile into the latter and was drowned.

In other suburbs there appeared even greater danger.

At noon today authorities decided to evacuate the inhabitants of Alfortville, which lies below the level of the Seine.

The waters have started to overflow the parapets.

Great wine warehouses at Berey were flooded. Hundreds of barrels of wine floated about. Rare vintages were salvaged.

The flood was seeping into the Marebeau Railway Station and it may prove necessary to move the terminal a mile further out from Paris to Javel.

It is expected by Saturday the Seine will be within three feet of its high record, established in 1910.

The Marne too is overflowing its banks.

Paris officials admit they have not taken sufficient measures to prevent a catastrophe in the event the Seine invades the streets of the capital. They excuse the lack of action by pointing to the enormous cost of such precautions and add moreover that the river is State and not municipal property.

Resume Work In Marlin Section

MARLIN, Texas, Jan. 3.—With the holidays over, active drilling is being resumed in the Deer Creek oil fields, seven miles west of Marlin.

The Postoak company's Taylor test No. 2 set casing Sunday and Monday preparing to drill in.

On the Chance lease near the Postoak company's test, Falvy and Reynolds are erecting a rig and expect to spud in the latter part of this week.

On the Fuller lease, the Cogdell test claims to have reached the first chalk.

The Thomas and Patterson tests claim to be making good progress since the let up of rains and favorable drilling weather.

Several other prospective wells are being considered and indications are that considerable activity will result with fair weather conditions within the next 30 days.

Having already three producing wells and several that will probably be brought in during January, this oil field is attracting a number of high class oil men from different parts of the country.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Tonight fair and warmer, with frost in south. Friday partly cloudy.

West Texas.—Tonight increasing cloudiness and warmer. Friday partly cloudy; snow in north portion and colder.

Pay your poll tax.

DISCOVERED RADIUM 25 YEARS AGO.

Mme. Marie Curie

Mme. Marie Curie, with her late husband, Professor Pierre Curie, whose scientific colleague she was, in a modest laboratory in the Rue l'Homond, in Paris, discovered radium just 25 years ago. The anniversary was celebrated at the Sorbonne University in Paris by President Millerand, scientists and members of the diplomatic corps.

ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

By SLYBOOTS

I came to town so early this morning that none had ventured out, except those who had to to thaw their radiators. To warm up a little I went in W. A. Jackson's to have a talk with Frazer Hendricks. I was surprised to find that someone else had beat me to town. Ben Hunt was there, and as usual, was smoking a big black cigar.

I spoke to all of them and asked Ben where his cup of coffee was. He then got excited telling me about the wonders of coffee as an inspiration to lawyers and other poets. In order to make whatever gestures necessary to emphasize each point, he withdrew the cigar from his lips and placed it on a chair near the telephone desk.

About that time, the telephone rang and Mr. Hendricks went to answer it. He had just said "Hello" and received the reply from the lady who then began to place an order with him. Mr. Hendricks got very much interested and started to sit down on the chair and incidentally on the cigar. About that time Ben yelled "Look ! out you'll burn your pants." The lady quickly hung up the receiver, while Mr. Hendricks looked daggers points at us and Ben said he had some business with Judge Stubbs. I also started out and Mr. Hendricks called me back and asked me to relate this in this column, so that the lady might know there was nothing personal in the remark.

On coming out I was met by a man of gentlemanly bearing, well dressed and dignified. I knew he must be a stranger here, so I gave him an old fashioned greeting. The "good morning" I extended was so warm that it broke the ice between us and he paused, as if he wanted to say something further. I did, too. And then the conversation began. He said he would like to be directed to the offices of one Jesse McLendon. He said he was from New York City. I then told him that Jesse McLendon, Jessie Hughes and Jack Womack, and their ladies were in that town last summer and asked if he saw them while they were there. He said that he did; that he was a doctor in New York and had tendered medical aid to Mr. McLendon while he was there. Further questioning revealed our fellow citizen's trouble. The doctor said that Mr. McLendon stood so long one day while there, with his head turned up looking at the skyscrapers that the roof of his mouth was sunburned and he was called on to administer relief.

I became a little personal then, in my hunt for news and scenting a real story out of him, I asked him as to his mission in our beautiful little city. He said that he was passing through, from Currie, on his way home and just thought he would drop by and make a collection on an account due since last summer.

I saw that it might prove embarrassing to some one to go into the matter further, so I told him that Mr. McLendon's office was in the buildings that burned nearly two years ago and before I could finish, someone called me into the Chocolate Shoppe to have a cigar and a talk with the President of the Gushers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3. — The Comptroller of the currency today issued a call on the condition of all national banks as of Dec. 31, 1923.

NEW MOVE MAY BE MADE TO BLOT OUT REVOLT

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 3.—Three or four days will find important new movements under way to crush the revolt against Obregon, high government officials informed the United Press. Important developments, he predicted, may be expected and the situation should rapidly change. Obregon is expected to leave for Guadalajara front Thursday. Federal troops on the front admittedly met with a slight check.

LATE FLASH

PEKIN, Ill., Jan. 3.—Eight are known dead in an explosion here in the dry starch plant of the Corn Products Company factory this morning. Thirty four are missing and approximately fifty were injured, some fatally. Eight bodies were removed from the blaznig debris. The loss is estimated at more than half a million. Two additional bodies are believed to be in the ruins. The explosion was caused by dust in the dry starch plant. The four story brick building was demolished.

HAVANA, Cuba.—Cuba recently held its first women's congress.

Hayes Family Avoids Light Of Publicity

By H. E. SWISHER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 3.—Will Hays, whose movie family has been quite faithfully avoiding unpleasant publicity until the sensational shooting of Courtland S. Dines Tuesday night by Mabel Normand's chauffeur was reported today to have left his old home in Sullivan, Ind., and to be speeding westward to investigate Hollywood's latest scandal.

Assured by physicians attending the Denver oil man shot while entertaining Miss Normand and Edna Purviance, Charlie Chaplin's leading lady at a New Year's Day party that Dines will recover authorities prepared to press a charge of assault with attempt to commit murder against Joseph Greer, alias Kelly, the chauffeur.

This charge was filed last Wednesday after the two screen stars who were Dines' guests were interrogated regarding their part in the affair.

Today only the motive remained obscure. Police were inclined to stand upon their original theory, that the chauffeur was inspired by unreasonable jealousy when he fired a shot from Mabel Normand's 25 calibre revolver into the breast of his employer's host.

Edna Purviance in one talk with newspaper men yesterday, admitted "there was an understanding that Dines and I were to have been married. Later in a contradictory statement, she denied that she and the former Denver society man ever contemplated matrimony.

Greer, having confessed to the shooting, which took place in Dines' bungalow court apartment about a mile from the former home of William Desmond Taylor, where that prominent director was murdered, stuck to his original story, namely: Mable Norman was to have gone to a hospital today for an operation for appendicitis. Knowing her delicate condition and of the impending operation, the chauffeur believed his employer should not be drinking, as he says she was, in Dines' rooms. He attempted to persuade her to return home with him and when she consented to do so, the oil man threatened Greer with a bottle and the chauffeur fired in self defense. Such is Greer's story, substantially the same as that he has told from the first.

Miss Normand and Miss Purviance profess inability to understand Greer's assault upon their erstwhile host. Both say they were not actual eye-witnesses to the shooting.

The possibility of drugs playing a part in the tragedy or events which led up to the shooting, was admitted by police seeking a motive for the crime.

ENGINEERS HONOR WOMAN BANKER.

Miss Helen Varick Boswell

Miss Helen Varick Boswell, of New York City, has just been elected vice-president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' Trust Company, soon to open its doors in New York City. She thus becomes the first woman bank vice-president in New York.

BLANTON URGES WASHINGTON BOOTLEG PROBE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Foreign diplomats and government officials would be made "bone dry" by a series of bills introduced in the House by Representative Blanton of Texas. He also introduced a resolution to investigate Washington's latest bootleg scandal, and demanded the production of the alleged list of 1400 patrons of the booze syndicate.

DINES KNOWN HERE

Quite a number here know Courtland Dines, shot recently by the chauffeur of Mabel Normand. He visited Mexia during the oil boom period.

Liners Fate Is Told In Tank And Debris

PARIS, Jan. 3.—Wreckage of the lost dirigible Dixmude was found in the Mediterranean today. The aluminum tank and half burned debris told of the air liner's fate. One gasoline tank was found off San Marcos on the Sicilian coast. Two more bodies of the crew were found, according to private messages from the scene.

Burglars Make Big Hal Night Of New Years

Burglars entered the Oasis confectionery Monday night somewhere between 12 and 6 o'clock and escaped with quite a large amount of stock and some money.

According to A. E. Epperson, the proprietor, the burglars secured about ten thousand good cigars; two pistols which were in the store; three meerschaum pipes; one or two large boxes of candy; and about twenty five dollars in money.

Chief of Police J. A. Thompson is at work on a clew which he hopes will lead to the identification and arrest of the persons, but would make no statement beyond that from his investigation it appears that the robbers or one of their number at least, were locked in the building when the store was closed about twelve Monday night.

The burglary was carried on so quietly that no one in Jimmie's Cafe, which is an all night establishment just next door from Oasis, suspicioned it.

Sheriff Denies Holding Outlaw In Shidler Jail

PAWHUSKA, Ok., Jan. 3.—Reports that Ed Lockhrat, notorious Oklahoma outlaw and successor to Al Spancer, was held in the county jail at Shidler, near here, were denied here today by Chief of Police Willaim Wilkerson.

"The man held at Shidler as Lockhart is a resident of Lockhart, arrested upon charges of theft of auto accessories." Wilkerson said.

Henry Majors, chief of police at Shidler, oil town, declared the prisoner arrested at Lymon Monday was the fugitive Lockhart. The prisoner was held by Osage county officials today for further investigation.

Lockhart was sentenced to the penitentiary last spring upon a bank robbing charge at Sallisaw, but was paroled by former Governor Walton two months later.

He was taken into custody last October in connection with a series of bank robberies in Northeastern Oklahoma and placed in jail at Jay. During the night a masked band overpowered the jailer and freed Lockhart.

Mystery Shrouds Fatal Shooting

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 3—Mystery today shrouded the schooting to death here yesterday afternoon of Mrs. Mollie Rush Dudley, 24, of Groveton, Tex.

Two hours after the shooting while police searched the city for the slayer, Robert Robinson, University of Texas graduate, walked into the police station and gave himself up. He was placed in jail on a charge of murder, and refused to discuss the murder.

There were no witnesses to the shooting. Mrs. Minta Squibbs, at whose home Mrs. Dudley was staying, said she heard the shots and rushed to the house just in time to see a man leap from the porch and flee down the street. Mrs. Dudley staggered to the door and fell dead at her feet, she said.

Both the families of Robinson and Mrs. Dudley are prominent at Groveton, where Mrs. Dudley's divorced husband resides with their one child, a daughter, 2 years old.

Pay your poll tax.

Local News

J. E. Bedingfield was here Tuesday.

A. Hense of Waco was here Tuesday.

G. C. Kennedy of Frisco, Texas, was here last Monday.

J. M. Paul of Ennis was a visitor to Mexia Tuesday.

E. P. McCall of Grapeland was in the city Tuesday

Joe H. Kirby of Waco was in the city last Tuesday.

Miss Lucille Hamilton of Dallas was in Mexia Saturday.

R. G. Jamell of Waco was in Mexia Tuesday on business.

Allen Deask of Waco was here on business Wednesday.

J. O. Wade and H. G. Cox were Corsicana visitors Monday.

H. W. Stressel of San Angelo was a visitor to Mexia Tuesday.

Joe Allen of Corsicana was a visitor to the city Wednesday.

P. W. Barron of McAllen was a visitor to the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. McCarrol of Dallas were in the city last Tuesday.

G. B. King of Corsicana was a business visitor on Tuesday to Mexia.

Charles H. Kendrick of Waco made a business visit to the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Patton of Dallas were visitors to Mexia on New Year's day.

Irving Nedler of the Boston Store left today for an important business engagement in New York City.

The cold wave which hit here early this week and left when east winds overcame it, bringing rain and a rising temperature, again returned Wednesday night, the themometer dropping noticeably.

Only one new derrick has been erected in the Powell area within the past two weeks, on account of the bad weather and roads. The one erected was west of the Humble tank farm on the J. F. Allen 91-acre tract.

Mrs. C. W. Miller, teacher of history at Westminster College has been called to the bedside of her mother in Florida. A telegram from Mrs. Miller stated that her mother was recovering and that she would be back to take up her duties at the college next week.

Major John C. Townes, attorney for the Humble Oil and Refining Company, is here today and was a guest of J. G. McIntosh at the Rotary Luncheon. Major Townes is a son of the late Dean Townes of the Law Department of the University of Texas.

Three Killed And Fifty Injured In Dust Explosion In Starch House

PEKIN, Ill., Jan. 3.—Three men were killed and fifty injured, some fatally, in a dust explosion followed by fire in the dry starch house of the Corn Products Company here today.

The dead:
LEE HARDING, foreman.
GEORGE HARMS.
WILLIAM RUMLER.

A four-story brick building was demolished. The explosion was heard for miles. The Pekin hospital is caring for 25 men and as many more are in private residences.

Ambulances, fire apparatus and physicians from Peoria made the run of ten miles to aid.

The fire was confined to the starch house ruins. The loss was estimated at $500,000.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate: Resumes fight over chairmanship of Interstate Commerce Committee.

House: Routine business and speeches.

Ways and Means Committee begins real work on Mellon tax bill.

Immigration Committee continues hearings on new immigration legislatioin.

Appropriations Committee continues work on annual supply bills.

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TULSA ATTORNEY TO PROSECUTE WILD YOUNG GIRLS

TULSA, Okla., Jan. 3.—County Attorney John Goldsberry today prepared to put the ban on alleged "wild parties," in which hundreds of young girls, not yet out of their 'teens have been "enjoying," according to evidence presented the county attorney.

The wildest of these parties, according to Goldsberry, ended at 6 a. m. New Year's Day after all night drinking and dancing affairs at several road houses and cafes in and near Tulsa, where Boldsberry said girls of good family, some under 16, danced and drank with hardened underworld characters.

An alleged eye-witness story published in a local newspaper told of the "mad frolic" at a nearby roadhouse, New Year's eve in which 800 young flappers gulped down red hot corn whiskey like old time booze drinkers.

Common salt on the fire will clean a chimney of soot.

Mayfield Election Contest Reaches Floor of Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Mayfield election contest dispute was brought to the floor of the Senate today for the first time. The debate broke out when Senator Spencer, chairman of the special sub-committee investigating the election of the Texas senator, attempted to get a routine resolution through, appropriating funds for the investigation. Senator Borah asked Senator Spencer whether the resolution restricted the investigation to the charge that Senator Mayfield's campaign expenditures were illegally excessive.

CITY NATIONAL BANK DECLAR$S DIVIDEND

David Murphy, vice president of the City National Bank, announces that on the 31st of December, the bank declared its semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent.

At the close of the month of June of 1923, the first similar dividend of the year was declared, making 10 per cent for the year.

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UNION LABEL

CITIZENSHIP
-Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

MAN THE CENTRAL FIGURE.

Senator Morris Sheppard, Senior Senator from Texas, has submitted the following, especially for the Citizenship Thought for today:

Citizenship.

"Much of the unhappiness, the oppression and the crime in the history of society has been due to the failure to distinguish between citizenship and existing institutions, to recognize citizenship as a function of the individual and institutions as the result of a particular exercise of that function, to grasp the idea of citizenship as the creator and all human institutions the creation. The application of this distinction to human affairs insures perfect freedom. It makes systems and institutions, offices, solemnities, ceremonies, precedents dependent solely upon the popular view of their righteousness and usefulness. It makes man the central figure and all forms and institutions subordinate and secondary. It makes the will of the people the dominant influence in society. Self-government and equality before the law are its necessary accompaniments. We see at once that the proper exercise of this function requires in the individual the noblest qualifications. The creation and the control of institutions involve the destinies of the race. In registering his will at the ballot box the individual shares in a sense the prerogatives of divinity. The creation of man and earth was the work of God. The enactment of laws and the establishment of institutions which shape and govern the life of man and the fate of the nations of the earth are a logical continuation of that work."

Good Excuse

Friend: "Mandy, ain't yo' 'spicious 'bout yo' husband quittin' work soon as he done married you?"

Mandy: "Yo' jes' keep yo' jealous nose outa mah business, Sally Johnson! Mah husban' am merely takin' his honeymoon."—A. L. W.

"STANDBY" CAKES

For use with this and other desserts and to serve with tea or at luncheon one may bake these attractive standby cakes instead of the usual cookies. These get their name because they are the housewife's "standby" —they can be kept on hand always and, instead of getting stale, they improve with age.

Cream three-quarters of a cup of butter and then gradually add a cupful of brown sugar. Beat two eggs well and stir them in. Sift together a cup and a half of flour, a teaspoon of cinnamon, a quarter teaspoon of cloves and half a teaspoon of nutmeg (this last may be omitted if desired,) and add these to the other ingredients. Then stir in a cup of seedless raisins and half a cup of chopped nuts.

Place the latter by spoonfuls on shallow greased enameled ware baking pans and bake until brown.

Retort.

"Ah jes' met Sam Jones, an' yo' know what he tol' me bouten yo'?"

"No. What he say?"

"Say yo' am de low-downedest, meanest, thievinest, cheatinest, meanest, laziest lyingest boy what is."

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'Twixt Devil and Deep Sea.

(From the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.)

Some who can not live without drinking hooch can not live if they drink it.

A housewife in Washington recently wore a pedometer while doing her work and found that by a better arrangement of her kitchen she could save more than fifty-four miles of needless travel in a year.

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Communism Is Dead in Germany

By CARL D. GROAT
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (United Press.)—The Communist movement in Germany is, to all intents and purposes, deader than old Tutankamen.

One wild woman—wild is used advisedly—is trying to keep it alive. But this Red Joan-of-Arc—Emma-Goldmansort-of-a-person, Ruth Fischer, has about as much chance of stirring Germany to communism as Emma Goldman (incidentally, now sojourning here) has of converting President Coolidge to anarchy.

Ruth Fischer, her name is something else, really, for she wedded a German Red leader to get citizenship and avoid expulsion, takes her orders direct from Moscow. It was she, with Rosie Wolffstein, red deputy of the Landtag, who tried recently to get up a couple of wild demonstrations against the police.

The police welcomed the challenge, as there was to be, according to their trumpeting announcements, "a great attack against the greenies." They rolled out the finest assortment of rifled, bayonetted men and tanks that Germany has seen since the day when "Spartacism" was spreading in a temporary terror through the land.

Show Was Brief.

Ruth and Rosie were there in all their glory, cursing the police and trying to incite boyish and girlish followers to deeds of desperate daring against the "greenies." But somehow the long-haired boys and short-haired girls didn't excite. They jostled the police a bit, and the police, just by way of showing who's who and why, let off a few shots, sending some communists, with cooled ardor and bullet holes, to the hospital. Then the show was over.

The fearful communists departed posthaste for shelter.

The fiction is still maintained by the police and certain other governmental branches that a "Communistic danger" exists in Germany. Correspondents in Germany help the myth along from time to time, either consciously or unconsciously. And the American press, with its eight-column streamers, does the rest.

The Hamburg Riots.

The Hamburg riots, costing quite a few lives, were communist-planned. They were rough stuff while they lasted. But they did not by any stretch of the imagination mean that communism was on the growth in Germany. In fact, the quickness with which they were suppressed showed the inherent feebleness of the movement.

Likewise, the Reichwehr "cleanup of communists" in Saxony and Thuringia was a bit of theatricals. There was, and is, a Red movement in Saxony and Thuringia, but it is by far not so dangerous as the German army and Government pictured it. The lack of resistance, the quick "cleanup," proved how really harmless the Reds there were.

Communism in Germany really died in 1921 in mid-German disturbances which were suppressed with a ruthless hand.

Germany is inherently opposed to communism. Food riots here and there do not mean communism. The German has the patience of a Job. He stands a lot of hunger and abuse; another nation would probably turn red. But Germany isn't thinking of doing it.

MUSICAL JURY FOUND HIM GUILTY

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (United Press) —Perpetration of musical atrocities upon an innocent world must not prejudice a jury in a liquor case, Judge A. B. Anderson has ruled in Federal Court here.

John Sadler of Chicago was on trial charged with violation of the Federal prohibition laws.

"He told me he wrote 'Barney Google,'" a prohibition agent testified.

"He's not on trial for that," Judge Anderson said.

Despite the judge's admonition to the jury it took just six minutes to find Sadler guilty.

Navarro County oil fields, including both shallow and Woodbine producing areas in 1923 yielded approximately 30,000,000 barrels of crude.

Transportation to the oil fields, at a standstill the last week in the old year, is again starting. With a few days of fair weather, activity will resume with a vim.

The Texas Company's Autry at Powell is reported as coming in as a salt water well. It is being pumped full of mud, according to latest reports.

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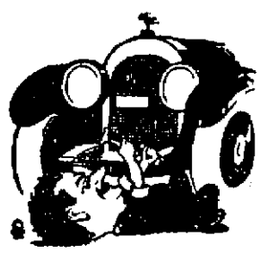

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Announcement

—This month is the second anniversary of our business in Mexia. As we glance back over these two years, we see many things that make us appreciate the loyalty of true friends. From the first month of our business we have had a good number of the best of Mexia's citizenship enrolled as our customers. Month by month, this number has been added to until now we have a line of customers that any one would be proud of, and as we enter into this the 3rd year of our business in Mexia we are very grateful to our friends and customers who have assisted us in the least or the greatest in establishing ourselves in a business way.

—We have recently moved three doors north of the Post Office. In this building we have installed some new machinery and are equipped in every way to take care of your business in a way that will please you. Our phone number is the same as it has always been, that is 17. Call us for service. If you have a garment that you want out in a hurry we are prepared to give you the quickest possible service. We shall appreciate your calls.

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COACHES WANT PLAYERS WHO THINK

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Two prominent football coaches of big eastern universities were discussing players who had distinguished themselves during the season and the conversation led to what they considered the most important faculty in a player.

"Give me the player with a brain," said one. "If he can think he can be taught everything, of course, that he doesn't already know, but he wouldn't be on that."

Then elaborating he went on to say a quarterback last season should have been the outstanding player of years. He could run, pass, tackle and tackle, but he had no head. It was all about when the boy came for him to think."

There is now a new theory that you can't make an athlete to think and many coaches are popping up from time to time to prove it.

Take Lake lost the British featherweight championship in London recently on a decision to Johnny Dundee after he was ahead on points before he was to defend his title. Lake took part in an exhibition show and he fought 20 three minute rounds against 10 lightweights and welterweights, who were thrown into the ring one after another for two rounds against him.

Dundee scored that boy of thinking beyond the speed of common sense.

Another example from London was Jack Bloomfield, British heavyweight had the British title practically clinched in a recent bout with Frank Goddard, a fighter who wouldn't get into a sparring partner for a third-rate fighter in that country.

Goddard had been on the floor seven times and he was out on his feet when Lake gave Goddard the count. Lake gave 20 rounds at one time but put another glove on.

It would have been impossible for Bloomfield to lose the decision.

Goddard rushed him as he was getting up off the floor but him a mild while he was down, technically lost the contest and the title on a foul.

Jerry Dundee, rated as one of the cleverest fighters in the business, has had trouble keeping with the rest of the field though he was smart enough and brainy enough to get along outside the ring. He signed to decide a fight with Benny Leonard last year and his end would have been (10c) $25,000.

A week or so before the date scheduled for the fight, Dundee went Philadelphia for an "easy" workout with Kid Warren.

Dundee beat him all over the place, but hurt his hand along with it the promoters called off the bout with Leonard.

Dundee's camel belongs to a special Londoner's Western Persian. It is five feet high and snow white.

Dan Lacey of Waco was a visitor to Mexia Monday.

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Bids will be received by the City secretary of the City of Mexia up to five o'clock of Jan. 15th, 1924 for the paving N. Kaufman Street from the north line of Sampter Street to city limits. Plans and specifications on file at the office of the City Engineer.

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CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking our friends and neighbors of Shiloh for the nice boxes and other things sent us also for their help during the siege of measels. Words cannot express our appreciation for the kindness. Again we thank every one of you.

Charlie Jackson and Wife.

Mr and Mrs. J. B. Ford of Corsicana were visitors to Mexia Monday.

Pay your poll tax.

Rebels Retreat State Federals Of Old Mexico

By FREDERICK G. NEUMEIER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 1.—Rebel forces under General Sanchez are retreating towards Cordoba, Jalapa and Vera Cruz, the War Office said today.

Capture of Federal General Lazaro Cardenas, chief of operations in the State of Michoacan is confirmed, the statement said.

General Cardenas was taken by rebels at Aamazaula, in the State of Jalisco, after he had been wounded. He now is in a hospital at Gaudalajaras, Jalsco.

The body of Federal General Paulino Navarro has been brought to Mexico City. He was killed in combat with the rebels on the Jalusco front.

M. M. Rogers of Waco was in Mexia Monday on business.

University Students Making Geological Bap Blance County

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 3.—Under the supervision of Dr. H. P. Bybee, associate professor of Geology at the University of Texas here, advanced geology students of the school are making a geological map of Blanco county.

Work is being done at present just north of the Perdenales River. The students are exploring the country and as they study the geography of the county they also take note of the geology.

The map will be ready for publication some time next year. The last geological map of Blanco county was made in 1884.

Pay your poll tax.

Jake Made This Man See Ku Klux Klan

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 3.—"Police help—Ku Klux Klan!"

Police came on the run to a downtown corner where a small, thin man was struggling with a lamppost and shaking with fear. Asked what the trouble was he could only gasp, "Ku Klux Klan." He was assured no one was after him and departed in peace.

A few hours later, however, police were called to a downtown hotel by the same cry. In the corner, cowering behind furniture, was the same midget, screaming "Ku Klux Klan."

This time police searched him rigidly and brought to light an empty bottle of "Jake."

African crocidites frequently carry a great assortment of bracelets and trinkets in their stomachs.

"Balky Horse" Methods Used on Dallas Prisoners

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 3.—A new method of punishing prisoners at the city prison farm which harkens back to the time of the pilgrim fathers, is now in effect here.

Unruly inmates who heretofore have been given extra periods of service and other penalties are now tied to a post and left to stand there until they decide to work.

The plan was prescribed by Mayor Louis Blaylock and is proving effective, authorities at the farm said.

Charles Dickens was always an opponent of orphanages, believing in private homes for parentless children.

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—Formal announcement of our opening will appear in a later issue of this paper.

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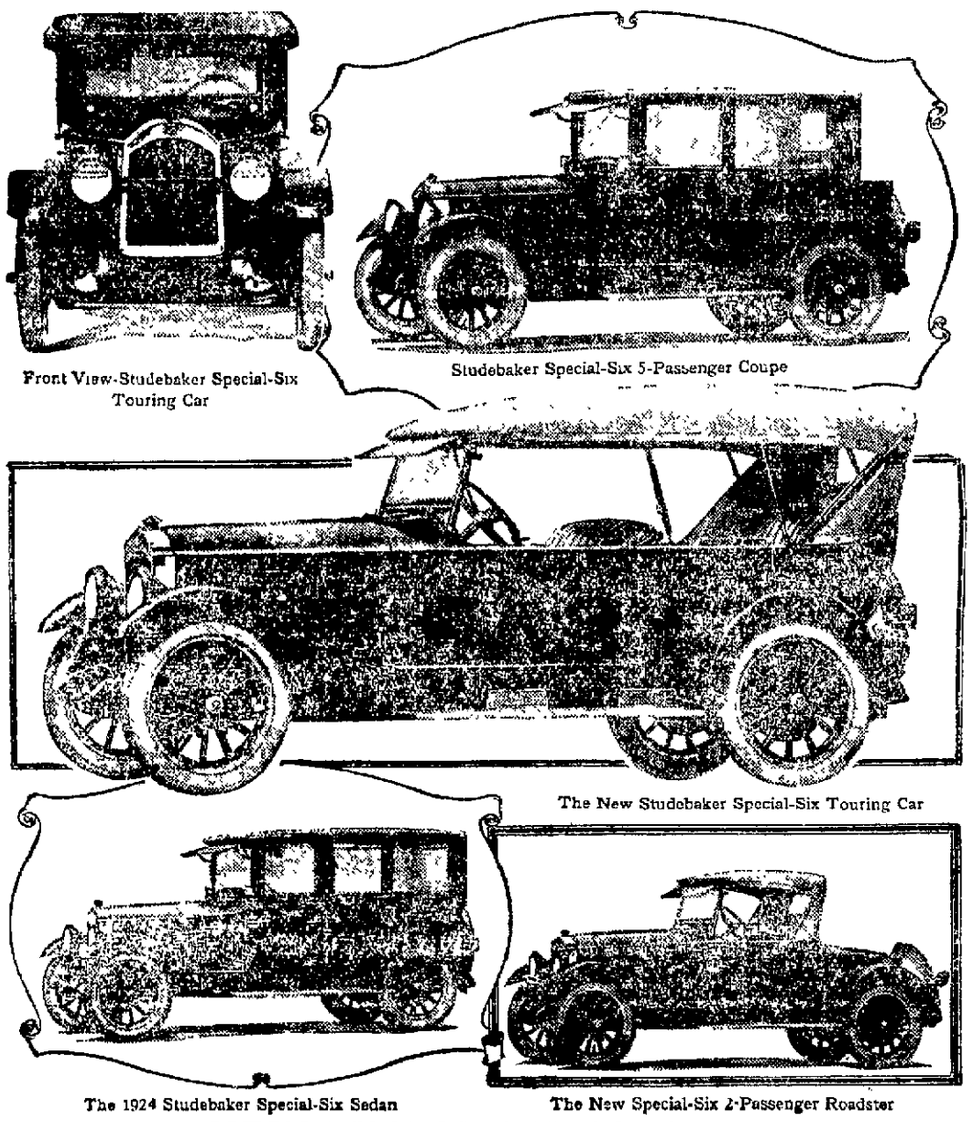
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WESTMINSTER BEGINS WORK OF '24

Westminster College began the second term of the year with every indication of a record success. All students reported with the exception of one or two who have not yet arrived, and several new ones registered.

Among the new students who came in are: Murray Jeffries, Buell Jefferies, both of Lake Creek, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hastings, of Foss, Oklahoma, Thelma Laird of Coolidge.

Basket Ball practice began at the college Wednesday afternoon with a large number reporting for the team. Westminster, with a star aggregation, will stand high among the Junior Colleges this year in Basket Ball, and will be a strong contender for the State championship.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Lew Tendler, Philadelphia lightweight, was badly beaten in a 10-round bout by Nate Goldman, Philadelphia. Tendler was down for the count of nine in the first and fifth rounds.

NEW YORK.—Bud Taylor, Terre Haute bantamweight, won a 12-round decision from Sammy Nable, New York.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Although knocked down twice, Rocky Kansas, Buffalo lightweight, finished strong enough to win a 10 round decision from Teddy Myers.

ROCHESTER, N. Y. With a strong finish Andy Chaney, Baltimore lightweight, won a 12-round decision from Archie Walker, New York.

AKRON, Ohio.—Joe Lynch, world's bantamweight champion, stopped Jimmy Murphy, St. Louis, in the third round after flooring him twice in the second.

PITTSBURGH.—Pancho Villa, flyweight champion easily won a 10-round decision from Tony Norman, Pittsburgh.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Kid Williams, former world's bantam champion, won a 12 round decision from Midget Smith of New York.

COLUMBUS, Ohio.—Lew Bloom, bantamweight, won the decision over Young Roberts, Panhandle star; Frankie Callahan won from Billie Kimm when the referee stopped the fight in the eighth round.

CINCINNATI.—Knock Out Marrs, Cincinnati lightweight, shaded Tony Zill of Youngstown in a 10-round bout.

CANTON, Ohio.—Georgie Michels, Jamestown, N. Y., won from Willie Ames, Akron, in ten rounds.

MANSFIELD, Ohio.—Billy Baker of Cleveland who claims to hold the bantamweight championship of Ireland was knocked out in the sixth round by Al Dundee Mansfield. Johnny Horvath, junior lightweight won a newspaper decision from Jack McLean, Detroit featherweight in ten rounds.

It Speaks Volumes.

(From the Detroit Free Press)

The silence of Senator Borah regarding the candidacy of his side partner Hi Johnson, is sensationally eloquent.

W. E. Fredd of Tyler was a visitor to the city Sunday and Monday.

Pay your poll tax.

LONE STAR GAS LINE TO BE REPAIRED BY JAN. 1

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Jan. 2.—The Lone Star Gas company announces that its trunk line from Oklahoma to Texas will be in service again over Red river, at Byars, early in January, according to Theo. Fritzner, president of the Glenhoma Oil syndicate, who was here recently making arrangements to move the Oklahoma office of the syndicate to Oklahoma City.

Floods washed out the Lone Star line about the middle of October and the company took no gas from the Stephens, Cotton and Comanche county fields until December 10. At that time a temporary line across the river had been installed. The Lone Star has been taking apporximately 25 per cent of the gas from that territory.

An extension of gathering lines in Cotton and Stephen counties to oil wells is contemplated by the American Pipe Line company of Wichita Falls. This company recently increased its capital stock from $200,000 to $500,000 for the purpose principally of making Oklahoma extensions. Its trunk line from Burkburnett enters Oklahoma through Walters.

PARIS SOON DOGLESS

PARIS (By mail to United Press.)—In 1913 Paris had 73,793 canine inhabitants. The 1923 figures show only 19,286. What has become of the 25,000 missing dogs in the past ten years? dog lovers are asking. Most of them are put to death in the dog pound.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Compiled By N. P. Houx

From Files of Mexia Evening News Of Jan. 3, 1899.

Miss Gerda Epperson visited friends in Wortham during the holidays.

M. L. McDonald, Jr., spent the holidays in Belton.

Miss Sallie Smith visited relatives and friends in Calvert during the holidays.

Minor Tidwell is still confined to his bed with fever.

John R. Corley returned from St. Louis today after an absence from home of about a week.

Will Oliphant with his family has moved back to Mexia after a short residence in Groesbeck.

Two of Mexia's young men, Clarence Cox and Tom Gibson, are in Cuba, members of the First North Carolina band.

H. L. Hall returned from a business visit to North Texas last night.

There will be a meeting of the Minute Men at the armory tomorrow night. All members are urged to be present as business of importance will be acted on.

Editorial—Teddy Roosevelt has been inaugurated as governor of New York, and is now in a good position to rough ride over Tom Platt.

POLITICS FAIL TO INTEREST MEXIA

According to those acquainted with the public sentiment in this section, the new year finds but little interest in the elections of 1924. With arrangements for the new year completed, however, interest will assume large proportions, they say.

So far there has been only one political announcement made. County Judge H. F. Kirby of Groesbeck has made known his entrance into the campaign for re-election, having issued his announcement through the county press. An attack on the highway commission especially directed against the new law just becoming effective, is said to be one of the chief planks in his platform.

According to the authorities poll tax paymsnts are much lighter in Limestone county than in previous years. There have been less than 200 poll taxes paid in this city so far. However, tax collectors are busy and the number of poll tax payments is very apt to pick up considerably as the time for payment draws to a close.

Mrs. Christine Bradley South, daughter of a former governor of Kentucky, is being seriously discussed for the republican nomination for United States senator from that State next year.

STRONG PICTURE DRAMA

The Paramount picture, "The Light That Failed," directed by George Melford and featuring Jacqueline Logan, Percy Marmont, Sigrid Holmquist and David Torrence, will be the feature at the National theatre today. The story is a love melodrama by Rudyard Kipling. The screen play is said to be highly entertaining.

Pay your poll tax.

Women form the majority mem ship of the homestead and bui and loan associations throug Louisiana, according to an officia port just issued.

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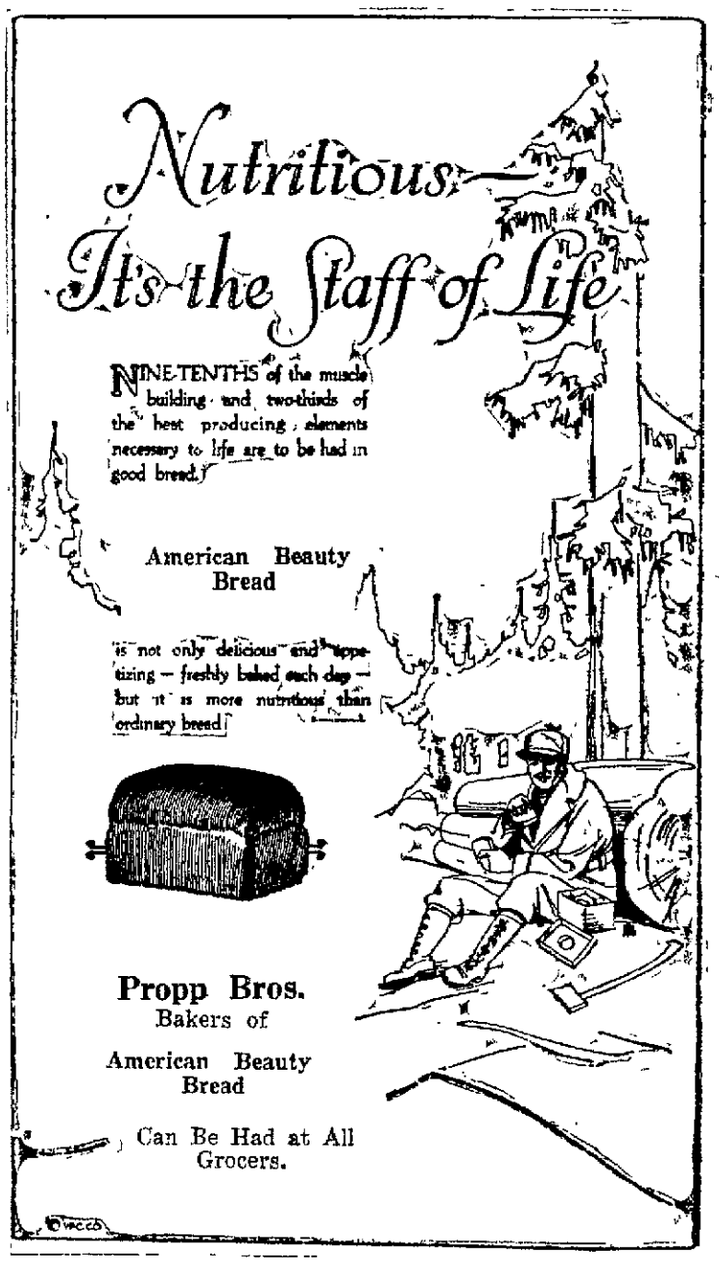
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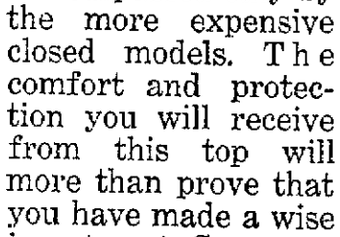

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(From the Detroit Free Press)

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Letters from People

NEW HIGHWAY LAW

Mexia Daily News:

There seems to be considerable misunderstanding in regard to the revised State Highway law, especially in regard to the registration of commercial motor vehicles or trucks. We do not thoroughly understand the law, and doubt if the framers of it do either, but are quoting a few sections which will be of interest to all truck owners.

After giving the tables of weights and fees charged the law further reads

"Section 16 F If any person shall operate, or permit to be operated any motor vehicle licensed under this act of a greater weight than stated in his application, he shall be liable to pay to the tax collector of any county in Texas, thru or into which he shall operate, or cause to be operated, such vehicle, the full license fee provided for the class to which such motor vehicles properly belongs. . . . . ."

To ascertain the license fee of a truck, you take the total weight of the truck, including body, and its net carrying capacity. Another section of the law states that a truck owner will not be permitted to use a truck on the highways if same has a load in excess of ten per cent of the manufacturers' rated carrying capacity.

All of the above simply means, in the case of a Ford truck, that in computing the weight fee that in addition to the weight of the truck and body you shoul add the manufacturers rated carrying capacity of the truck, which is 2000 pounds or one ton. It is a well known fact that the Ford truck will and does carry considerable over a ton if desired and if it was registered as a ton truck, the user, when carrying a load in excess of 2000 pounds, could be arrested in every county thru which he operated, and charged an additional fee based upon the actual weight of the load.

In order to avoid this, the automobile dealers of Texas have secured a ruling from the State Highway Department, to permit owners to register their trucks for a carrying capacity of 50% in excess of the manufacturers' rated carrying capacity. Thus a Ford ton truck can be registered as a ton and a half truck and could then carry a load of 3300 pounds without being subject to a penalty.

Section 16 L provides a penalty of $200.00 for the operation of a truck which is not equipped with a "rear view mirrow placed and maintained so that the driver shall at all times be able to see other vehicles approaching from the rear." This is a section that is violated by 95% of the truck owners and should it be enforced rigidly would bring in almost enough revenue to pay all the outstanding road bonds of the entire state.

We trust that the above information will be of value to the truck owners of this vicinity and will be glad to give any further information to those desiring it.—F. W. Welch

MAD DOG

Kountze, Texas, Dec. 26, 1923

Dear Mr. Newman,

Mexia, Texas.

I have just received a copy from you of the Mexia Daily News with my letter published, and thank you very much for your kindness. And will say that we have heard from the dog's head we sent to Austin. Report came back that the dog certainly had hydrophobia in a very pronounced form. So thanking you again for your kindness and if ever you are down this way come and see us.

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FIRE WORKS ARE DANGEROUS FOR CHILDREN

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 2.—Willie Martha Hall, 22 months old daughter of Mr and Mrs. Harry Hall, was among the first of Houston Christmas casaulties.

Mistaking a torpedo for a piece of candy, the infant bit downon it and it exploded. Doctors sewed up a two inch gash in her cheek and she spent Christmas in the hospital.

It is estimated that there are sixteen tons of micropic shellfish in every cubic mile of the ocean

Pay your poll tax.

TEHUACANA FOLKS POUND WESTMINSTER COLLEGE PRESIDENT

Not content with surprising their postor, Rev. H. M. Thompson, with a large Christmas shower, about fifty or more Tehuacana people invaded the home of Dr. E. R. Biggs, president of Westminster, last Christmas night loaded with eats and good things of all description.

The surprised host and family and the guests enjoyed a very agreeable evening.

DELAYED CHRISTMAS CARD

SANDERSON, Texas, Jan. 3.—If your Christmas presents were delayed in the mails and you're peeved at the postman, harken to this

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"Merry Christmas," the card read.

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank of Mexia, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 8, 1924, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may propiely come before it.

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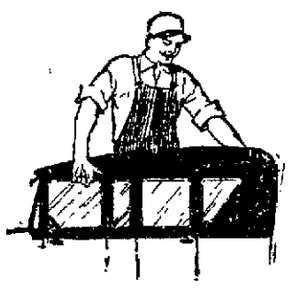

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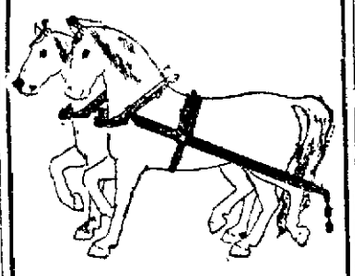

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EIGHT HOUR DAY SOLVING MANY PROBLEMS OF INDUSTRY

By S. P. HOLLINGSWORTH
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 3. (United Press.)—The labor policy in a number of the basic industries is changing.

A survey of industrial and employment conditions throughout Pennsylvania, obtained exclusively by the United Press, indicates that men and management in many instances are reaching a better understanding than has been known in the past.

This condition is reported to be having marked influence on the chances of prosperity in 1924.

The "era of good feeling" which seems to be at hand in industry has three explanations. They are:

1—Establishment of the eight-hour day, notably in the steel and anthracite industries.

2—Investment opportunities offered employes, stimulating interest in the management, and participation in the profits.

3—The shortage of skilled labor creating keen competition among employers for continued services of workers, thereby reducing labor turnover.

The effect of this condition has been noted generally in the labor situation in Pennsylvania. There is very little unemployment, and what there is has been classed as "floating." Demand for common labor having fallen off, this element has increased.

Industry Stabilized.

The gradual stabilization has been in process of development in building construction, the steel industry and transportation. Coal mining is making a desperate effort to stablize itself.

The building industry, on the other hand, has made marked progress, especially in Pennsylvania. As a seasonal industry, building was one of the few large industries with labor turnover the invariable rule. Now, it appears, contractors are going ahead with inside work and are retaining their most competent men, principally because they do not want other contractors to get them when operations are resumed in the Spring.

There is more building work going on in Pennsylvania today than ever has been known in the previous history of the commonwealth.

The eight-hour day in the steel industry, according to reliable reports, has attracted the better type of men, with the result that more are retained in employment and there is less turnover. The men acquire proficiency and their services are cultivated by the management. This condition prevails in spite of dull activity in iron and steel.

The transportation companies, especially the Pennsylvania Railroad, in their recent layoff revealed a decided labor policy. It was regarded as a definite move toward stablization. The strategy of the Pennsylvania system was said to be to effect closer cooperation between men and management. Many of those who were laid off will never return, while some will come back to find a totally different attitude on the part of the management.

Coal mining, the industry for which Pennsylvania is noted, is less static than any other, but a desperate effort is being made on the part of operators and the mine leaders to obtain more even and steady production as a matter of self-preservaion.

Hughes Morrow 1 Continues High Production Rate

According to Phil Ross, superintendening field activity of Carter and Lytel, an Iowa concern, the test being drilled on the Hackney lease between Mexia and Wortham is making satisfactory progress downwards.

Some new development also will be started in the Currie field within the next few weeks, since the second sand in this field is holding out better than was at first expected, also the price of this oil has recently advanced 40c a barrel.

The Hughes-Morrow No. 1, which flowed as a big gusher for several months and was sanded off, for some time has been averaging about 3,500 barrels a day for the last two or three weeks.

FLAPPERS VINDICATED

EUGENE, Ore. (United Press.)—Vindication of the flappers' cry that they "simply had to" has come from a physician here. Ray Blaine, local barber, recently cut off 8 pounds of coal black hair from the head of a girl, aged 15, at her physician's orders. Much of the strength needed to develop her body was going into her wonderful head of hair, her physician said.

WINNIPEG, Man.—The Grand champion bull of the Aberdeen Angus class at the Chicago International Livestock Show went to James D. MacGregor of Brandon, on Black Cap Revolution.

Pay your poll tax.

Limestone County Citizens Begin To Send In Returns

Income tax returns for the year 1923 are now being sent from here to the collector of internal revenue at Austin, in which district Mexia and Limestone County are located. Quite a number were sent in even before the new year opened.

The period of filing returns is from Jan. 1 to March 15, after which a penalty accrues, unless an extension is granted.

The first filing of an income tax return for the year 1923 was made Wednesday morning. Very few others were filed during the day and the rush will not occur until toward the end of the period, two months hence. The advice of the collector to the public to to come early and avoid the rush, which becomes intense during the early part of the month.

Blanks for income tax returns have been mailed from the collectors office to all persons who made renditions at this office last year. The task of mailing them was of itself no light one. Receipt of the blanks filled out according to instructions will begin in a few days. In addition many who do not receive the blanks by mail will come to the office to get them and those who are not able to make them out properly will receive assistance from the deputies and clerks in the office.

Tax return blanks for 1923 are practically the same as they were for 1922, although the blanks known as Form 1040 have been simplified. There have been no changes or modifications of the law in so far as they affect the income of the salaried man whose cash receipts do not exceed $5,000 a year. A few rulings have been made by the Treasury Department since last year affecting the tax of smaller incomes, it is said, but these are not material.

Under the law as it now stands in reference to individual income tax returns each unmarried man must fill out a blank and make a return if he receives as much as $1,000 per annum and each married man if he receives as much as $2500.

MISSING GIRLS ARE LURED BY MOVIES

LOS ANGELES (United Press.)—The lure of the movies is given by the National Association of Travelers' Aid Societies as the reason for more than twice as many women and girls dropping out of sight in Los Angeles than in any other large city in the country in proportion to population in the annual compilation of statistics.

In Los Angeles, alone, according to their figures, 1,120 women, mostly under the age of 21, were reported missing in 1922. All but 900, however, had been located, either dead or alive, up to Dec. 31.

Reports from thirty-seven other cities give a total of 31,638 men, women and children who disappeared, of whom 2,500 were never found.

Among individual reports of cities, the statement said, police reports show that 2,446 girls and women were reported missing during the year in New York; 1,549 in Chicago; Philadelphia, 1,006; St. Louis, 798; San Francisco, 471, and Detroit, 311. About 92 per cent of the missing were finally located

HALIFAX, N. S.—Discovery of three new scallop beds situated near the Lurcher Lightship, off the coast of Yarmouth County, Nova Scotia, is announced.

WINNIPEG, Man.—On railways in western Canada more than 250,000,000 bushels of grain have been loaded this season.

Chicago To Have Largest Hotel

CHICAGO, Jan. 3 (United Press.)—A thirty-two-story hotel, costing $22,000,000, is to replace the Congress of Chicago, one of America's best known hotels.

The hotel will be the largest in the world. It will contain 3,000 rooms and will be constructed in units.

The first unit, costing $5,000,000, will be known as the "bachelors'" hotel and will have 800 rooms, a gymnasium, tank, Turkish and Russian baths, runnin track, squash course, billiard room, grill, etc.

A banquet and convention hall, seating 2,000 persons, will be the main feature of the second unit, also to cost $5,000,000. It will contain 700 rooms.

All of the present structure, except the famous Peacock Alley and Pompian Room, will be demolished.

The Congress has always been the political centre for national conventions.

Pay your poll tax.

R. E. Gloze of Corsicana spent Monday in the city.

T. E. Larrison of Corsicana spent Monday in Mexia.

Moss Evans of Waco was a visitor to the city Monday.

H. W. Stressel of San Angelo was in the city Monday.

I. A. Neal of Marlin was here Monday.

W. L. Cornelius of Ranger was a Tuesday visitor to the city.

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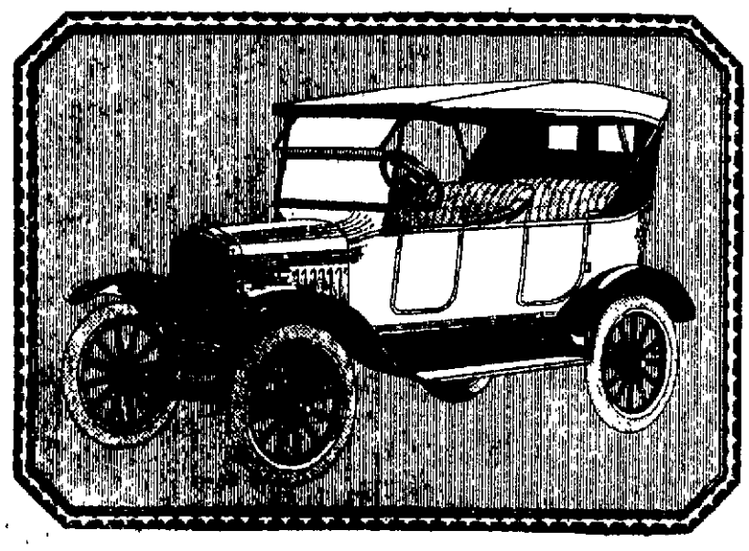

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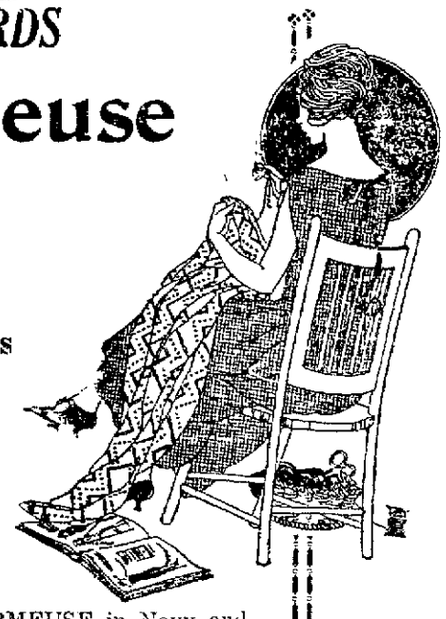

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WRECKAGE OF DIRIGIBLE FOUND AT SEA

Paris Flooded By Rushing Waters Of Seine

By WEBB MILLER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Jan. 3.—Three feet of water filled the Foregign Office cellars today as the flooded river Seine continued to overflow its banks and inundate Paris and its environs. Many valuable documents were destroyed. The flood situation has become most critical. Tracks of two Paris terminiare under water and the railway stations have been closed down. The suburbs are suffering worse than the city proper. Persistent heavy rains and melting snows are increasing the difficulties of authorities as they endeavor to check the flood waters.

Rising waters filtered into the basement of the Chamber of Deputies and it is feared will interfere with heating and lighting on the occasion of the opening session next Tuesday.

Six hundred gasoline lights were brought from Versailles for use in case of emergency. Firemen were busy with pumps today.

In the event the flood inundates the Deputes and Concorde districts, authorities plan to wall up the subway station at the chamber put dikes in the sewers and run wooden foot paths across the waters to the doorways of France's house of parliament.

The first flood casualty occurred when a St. Germaine man unable to distinguish between flooded streets and the river, drove his automobile into the latter and was drowned.

In othr suburbs there appeared even greater danger.

At noon today authorities decided to evacuate the inhabitants of Alfortville, which lies below the level of the Seine.

The waters have started to overflow the parapets.

Great wine warehouses at Bercy were flooded. Hundreds of barrels of wine floated about. Bare vintages were salvaged.

The flood was seeping into the Marabeau Railway Station and it may prove necessary to move the terminal a mile further out from Paris to Javel.

It is expected by Saturday the Seine will be within three feet of its high record, established in 1910.

The Marne too is overflowing its banks.

Paris officials admit they have not taken sufficient measures to prevent a catastrophe in the event the Seine invades the streets of the capital They excuse the lack of action by pointing to the enormous cost of such precautions and add moreover that the river is State and not municipal property.

Resume Work In Marlin Section

MARLIN, Texas, Jan. 3.—With the holidays over, active drilling is being resumed in the Deer Creek oil fields, seven miles west of Marlin.

The Postoak company's Taylor test No. 2 set casing Sunday and Monday preparing to drill in.

On the Chance lease near the Postoak company's test, Falvy and Reynolds are erecting a rig and expect to spud in the latter part of this week.

On the Fuller lease, the Cogdell test claims to have reached the first chalk.

The Thomas and Patterson tests claim to be making good progress since the let up of rains and favorable drilling weather.

Several other prospective wells are being considered and indications are that considerable activity will result with fair weather conditions within the next 30 days.

Having already three producing wells and several that will probably be brought in during January, this oil field is attracting a number of high class oil men from different parts of the country.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Tonight fair and warmer, with frost in south. Friday partly cloudy.

West Texas.—Tonight increasing cloudiness and warmer. Friday partly cloudy; snow in north portion and colder.

Pay your poll tax.

DISCOVERED RADIUM 25 YEARS AGO.

Mme Marie Curie

Mme. Marie Curie, with her late husband, Professor Pierre Curie, whose scientific colleague she was, in a modest laboratory in the Rue l'Flomond, in Paris, discovered radium just 25 years ago. The anniversary was celebrated at the Sorbonne University in Paris by President Millerand, scientists and members of the diplomatic corps.

ON THE WAY BOWN TOWN

By SLYBOOTS

I came to town so early this morning that none had ventured out, except those who had to to thaw their radiators. To warm up a little I went in W. A. Jackson's to have a talk with Frazer Hendricks. I was surprised to find that someone else had beat me to town. Ben Hunt was there, and as usual, was smoking a big black cigar.

I spoke to all of them and asked Ben where his cup of coffee was. He then got excited telling me about the wonders of coffee as an inspiration to lawyers and other poets. In order to make whatever gestures necessary to emphasize each point, he withdrew the cigar from his lips and placed it on a chair near the telephone desk.

About that time, the telephone rang and Mr. Hendricks went to answer it. He had just said "Hello" and received the reply from the lady who then began to place an order with him. Mr. Hendricks got very much interested and started to sit down on the chair and incidentally on the cigar. About that time Ben yelled "Look out you'll burn your pants." The lady quickly hung up the receiver, while Mr. Hendricks looked daggers points at us and Ben said he had some business with Judge Stubbs. I also started out and Mr. Hendricks called me back and asked me to relate this in this column, so that the lady might know there was nothing personal in the remark.

On coming out I was met by a man of gentlemanly bearing, well dressed and dignified. I knew he must be a stranger here, so I gave him an old fashioned greeting. The "good morning" I extended was so warm that it broke the ice between us and he paused, as if he wanted to say something further. I did, too. And then the conversation began. He said he would like to be directed to the offices of one Jesse McLendon. He said he was from New York City. I then told him that Jesse McLendon, Jessie Hughes and Jack Womack, and their ladies were in that town last summer and asked if he saw them while they were there. He said that he did; that he was a doctor in New York and had tendered medical aid to Mr. McLendon while he was there. Further questioning revealed our fellow citizen's trouble. The doctor said that Hr. McLendon stood so long one day while there, with his head turned up looking at the skyscrapers that the roof of his mouth was sunburned and he was called on to administer relief.

I became a little personal then, in my hunt for news and scenting a real story out of him, I asked him as to his mission in our beautiful little city. He said that he was passing through, from Currie, on his way home and just thought he would drop by and make a collection on an account due since last summer.

I saw that it might prove embarrassing to some one to go into the matter further, so I told him that Mr. McLendon's office was in the buildings that burned nearly two years ago and before I could finish, someone called me into the Chocolate Shoppe to have a cigar and a talk with the President of the Gushers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3. — The Comptroller of the currency today issued a call on the condition of all national banks as of Dec. 31, 1923.

NEW MOVE MAY BE MADE TO BLOT OUT REVOLT

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 3.—Three or four days will find important new movements under way to crush the revolt against Obregon, high government officials informed the United Press. Important developments, he predicted, may be expected and the situation should rapidly change. Obregon is expected to leave for Guadalajara front Thursday. Federal troops on thi: front admittedly met with a slight check.

LATE FLASH

PEKIN, Ill., Jan. 3.—Eight are known dead in an explosion here in the dry starch plant of the Corn Products Company factory this morning. Thirty four are missing and approximately fifty were injured, some fatally. Eight bodies were removed from the blaznig debris. The loss is estimated at more than half a million. Two additional bodies are believed to be in the ruins. The explosion was caused by dust in the dry starch plant. The four story brick building was demoljshed.

HAVANA, Cuba.—Cuba recently held its first women's congress.

Hayes Family Avoids Light Of Publicity

By H. E. SWISHER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 3.—Will Hays, whose movie family has been quite faithfully avoiding unpleasant publicity until the sensational shooting of Courtland S. Dines Tuesday night by Mabel Normand's chauffeur was reported today to have left his old home in Sullivan, Ind., and to be speeding westward to investigate Hollywood's latest scandal.

Assured by physicians attending the Denver oil man shot while entertaining Miss Normand and Edna Purviance, Charlie Chaplin's leading lady at a New Year's Day party that Dines will recover authorities prepared to press a charge of assault with attempt to commit murder against Joseph Greer, alias Kelly, the chauffeur.

This charge was filed last Wednesday after the two screen stars who were Dines' guests were interrogated regarding their part in the affair.

Today only the motive remained obscure. Police were inclined to stand upon their original theory, that the chauffeur was inspired by unreasonable jealousy when he fired a shot from Mabel Normand's 25 calibre revolver into the breast of his employer's host.

Edna Purviance in one talk with newspaper men yesterday, admitted "there was an understanding that Dines and I were to have been married. Later in a contradictory statement, she denied that she and the former Denver society man ever contemplated matrimony.

Greer, having confessed to the shooting, which took place in Dines' bungalow court apartment about a mile from the former home of William Desmond Taylor, where that prominent director was murdered, stuck to his original story, namely:

Mable Norman was to have gone to a hospital today for an operation for appendicitis. Knowing her delicate condition and of the impending operation, the chauffeur believed his employer should not be drinking, as he says she was, in Dines' rooms. He attempted to persuade her to return home with him and when she consented to do so, the oil man threatened Greer with a bottle and the chauffeur fired in self defense. Such is Greer's story, substantially the same as that he has told from the first.

Miss Normand and Miss Purviance profess inability to understand Greer's assault upon their erstwhile host. Both say they were not actual eye-witnesses to the shooting.

The possibility of drugs playing a part in the tragedy or events which led up to the shooting, was admitted by police seeking a motive for the crime.

ENGINEERS HONOR WOMAN BANKER.

Miss Helen Varick Boswell

Miss Helen Varick Boswell, of New York City, has just been elected vice-president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' Trust Company, soon to open its doors in New York City. She thus becomes the first woman bank vice-president in New York.

BLANTON URGES WASHINGTON BOOTLEG PROBE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Foreign diplomats and government officials would be made "bone dry" by a series of bills introduced in the House by Representative Blanton of Texas. He also introduced a resolution to investigate Washington's latest bootleg scandal, and demanded the production of the alleged list of 1400 patrons of the booze syndicate.

DINES KNOWN HERE

Quite a number here know Courtland Dines, shot recently by the chauffeur of Mabel Normand. He visited Mexia during the oil boom period.

Local News

J. E. Bedingfield was here Tuesday.

A. Hanse of Waco was here Tuesday.

G. C. Kennedy of Frisco, Texas, was here last Monday.

J. M. Paul of Ennis was a visitor to Mexia Tuesday.

E. P. McCall of Grapeland was in the city Tuesday

Joe H. Kirby of Waco was in the city last Tuesday.

Miss Lucille Hamilton of Dallas was in Mexia Saturday.

R. G. Jamell of Waco was in Mexia Tuesday on business.

Allen Deask of Waco was here on business Wednesday.

J. O. Wade and H. G. Cox were Corsicana visitors Monday.

H. W. Stressel of San Angelo was a visitor to Mexia Tuesday.

Joe Allen of Corsicana was a visitor to the city Wednesday.

P. W. Barron of McAllen was a visitor to the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. McCarrol of Dallas were in the city last Tuesday.

G. B. King of Corsicana was a business visitor on Tuesday to Mexia.

Charles H. Kendrick of Waco made a business visit to the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Patton of Dallas were visitors to Mexia on New Year's day.

Irving Nedler of the Boston Store left today for an important business engagement in New York City.

The cold wave which hit here early this week and left when east winds overcame it, bringing rain and a rising temperature, again returned Wednesday night, the themometer dropping noticeably.

Only one new derrick has been erected in the Powell area within the past two weeks, on account of the bad weather and roads. The one erected was west of the Humble tank farm on the J. F. Allen 91-acre tract.

Mrs. C. W. Miller, teacher of history at Westminster College has been called to the bedside of her mother in Florida. A telegram from Mrs. Miller stated that her mother was recovering and that she would be back to take up her duties at the college next week.

Major John C. Townes, attorney for the Humble Oil and Refining Company, is here today and was a guest of J. G. McIntosch at the Rotary Luncheon. Major Townes is a son of the late Dean Townes of the Law Department of the University of Texas.

Liners Fate Is Told In Tank And Debris

PARIS, Jan. 3.—Wreckage of the lost dirigible Dixmude was found in the Mediterranean today. The aluminum tank and half burned debris told of the air liner's fate. One gasoline tank was found off San Marcos on the Sicilian coast. Two more bodies of the crew were found, according to private messages from the scene.

Burglars Make Big Hal Night Of New Years

Burglars entered the Oasis confectionery Monday night somewhere between 12 and 6 o'clock and escaped with quite a large amount of stock and some money.

According to A. E. Epperson, the proprietor, the burglars secured about ten thousand good cigars; two pistods which were in the store; three meerschaum pipes; one or two large boxes of candy; and about twenty five dollars in money.

Chief of Police J. A. Thompson is at work on a clew which he hopes will lead to the identification and arrest of the persons, but would make no statement beyond that from his investigation it appears that the robbers or one of their number at least, were locked in the building when the store was closed about twelve Monday night.

The burglary was carried on so quietly that no one in Jimmie's Cafe, which is an all night establishment just next door from Oasis, suspicioned it.

Sheriff Denies Holding Outlaw In Shidler Jail

PAWHUSKA, Ok., Jan. 3.—Reports that Ed Lotkhrat, notorious Oklahoma outlaw and successor to Al Spancer, was held in the county jail at Shidler, near here, were denied here today by Chief of Police Willaim Wilkerson.

"The man held at Shidler as Lockhart is a resident of Lockhart, arrested upon charges of theft of auto accessories," Wilkerson said.

Henry Majors, chief of police at Shidler, oil town, declared the prisoner arrested at Lymon Monday was the fugitive Lockhart. The prisoner was held by Osage county officials today for further investigation.

Lockhart was sentenced to the penitentiary last spring upon a bank robbing charge at Sallisaw, but was paroled by former Governor Walton two months later.

He was taken into custody last October in connection with a series of bank robberies in Northeastern Oklahoma and placed in jail at Jay. During the night a masked band overpowered the jailer and freed Lockhart.

Mystery Shrouds Fatal Shooting

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 3—Mystery today shrouded the schooting to death here yesterday afternoon of Mrs. Mollie Rush Dudley, 24, of Groveton, Tex.

Two hours after the shooting while police searched the city for the slayer, Robert Robinson, University of Texas graduate, walked into the police station and gave himself up. He was placed in jail on a charge of murder, and refused to discuss the murder.

There were no witnesses to the shooting. Mrs. Minta Squibbs, at whose home Mrs. Dudley was staying, said she heard the shots and rushed to the house just in time to see a man leap from the porch and flee down the street. Mrs. Dudley staggered to the door and fell dead at her feet, she said.

Both the families of Robinson and Mrs. Dudley are prominent at Groveton, where Mrs. Dudley's divorced husband resides with their one child, a daughter, 2 years old.

Pay your poll tax.

Three Killed And Fifty Injured In Dust Explosion In Starch House

PEKIN, Ill., Jan. 3.—Three men were killed and fifty injured, some fatally, in a dust explosion followed by fire in the dry starch house of the Corn Products Company here today.

The dead:
LEE HARDING, foreman.
GEORGE HARMS.
WILLIAM RUMLER.

A four-story brick building was demolished. The explosion was heard for miles. The Pekin hospital is caring for 25 men and as many more are in private residences.

Ambulances, fire apparatus and physicians from Peoria made the run of ten miles to aid.

The fire was confined to the starch house ruins. The loss was estimated at $500,000.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate: Resumes fight over chairmanship of Interstate Commerce Committee.

House: Routine business and speeches.

Ways and Means Committee begins real work on Mellon tax bill.

Immigration Committee continues hearings on new immigration legislation.

Appropriations Committee continues work on annual supply bills.

Pay your poll tax.

TULSA ATTORNEY TO PROSECUTE WILD YOUNG GIRLS

TULSA, Okla., Jan. 3.—County Attorney John Goldsberry today prepared to put the ban on alleged "wild parties," in which hundreds of young girls, not yet out of their 'teens have been "enjoying," according to evidence presented the county attorney.

The wildest of these parties, according to Goldsberry, ended at 6 a. m. New Year's Day after all night drinking and dancing affairs at several road houses and cafes in and near Tulsa, where Boldsberry said girls of good family, some under 16, danced and drank with hardened underworld characters.

An alleged eye-witness story published in a local newspaper told of the "mad frolic" at a nearby roadhouse, New Year's eve in which 500 young flappers gulped down red hot corn whiskey like old time booze drinkers.

Common salt on the fire will clean a chimney of soot.

Mayfield Election Contest Reaches Floor of Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Mayfield election contest dispute was brought to the floor of the Senate today for the first time. The debate broke out when Senator Spencer, chairman of the special sub-committee investigating the election of the Texas senator, attempted to get a routine resolution through, appropriating funds for the investigation. Senator Borah asked Senator Spencer whether the resolution restricted the investigation to the charge that Senator Mayfield's campaign expenditures were illegally excessive.

CITY NATIONAL BANK DECLAR$S DIVIDEND

David Murphy, vice president of the City National Bank, announces that on the 31st of December, the bank declared its semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent.

At the close of the month of June of 1923, the first similar dividend of the year was declared, making 10 per cent for the year.

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CITIZENSHIP
-Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

MAN THE CENTRAL FIGURE.

Senator Morris Sheppard, Senior Senator from Texas, has submitted the following, especially for the Citizenship Thought for today:

Citizenship.

"Much of the unhappiness, the oppression and the crime in the history of society has been due to the failure to distinguish between citizenship and existing institutions, to recognize citizenship as a function of the individual and institutions as the result of a particular exercise of that function, to grasp the idea of citizenship as the creator and all human institutions the creation. The application of this distinction to human affairs insures perfect freedom. It makes systems and institutions, offices, solemnities, ceremonies, precedents dependent solely upon the popular view of their righteousness and usefulness. It makes man the central figure and all forms and institutions subordinate and secondary. It makes the will of the people the dominant influence in society. Self-government and equality before the law are its necessary accompaniments. We see at once that the proper exercise of this function requires in the individual the noblest qualifications. The creation and the control of institutions involve the destinies of the race. In registering his will at the ballot box the individual shares in a sense the prerogratives of divinity. The creation of man and earth was the work of God. The enactment of laws and the establishment of institutions which shape and govern the life of man and the fate of the nations of the earth are a logical continuation of that work."

Good Excuse

Friend "Mandy, ain't yo' 'spicious 'bout yo' husband quittin' work soon as he done married you?"

Mandy: "Yo' jes' keep yo' jealous nose outa mah business, Sally Johnson! Mah husban' am merely takin' his honeymoon."—A. L. W.

"STANDBY" CAKES

For use with this and other desserts and to serve with tea or at luncheon one may bake these attractive standby cakes instead of the usual cookies. These get their name because they are the housewife's "standby"—they can be kept on hand always and, instead of getting stale, they improve with age.

Cream three-quarters of a cup of butter and then gradually add a cupful of brown sugar. Beat two eggs well and stir them in. Sift together a cup and a half of flour, a teaspoon of cinnamon, a quarter teaspoon of cloves and half a teaspoon of nutmeg (this last may be omitted if desired,) and add these to the other ingredients. Then stir in a cup of seedless rasins and half a cup of chopped nuts.

Place the latter by spoonfuls on shallow greased enameled ware baking pans and bake until brown.

Retort.

"Ah jes' met Sam Jones, an' yo' know what he tol' me bouten yo'?"

"No. What he say?"

"Say yo' am de low-downesdest, ornriest, thievinest, cheatinest, meanest, laziest lyingest boy what is."

Mpf! Dat all? 'Siderin' what I knows bouten him, reckon Ah's radder be me."

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'Twixt Devil and Deep Sea.

(From the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.)

Some who can not live without drinking hooch can not live if they drink it.

A housewife in Washington recently wore a pedometer while doing her work and found that by a better arrangement of her kitchen she could save more than fifty-four miles of needless travel in a year.

Pay your poll tax.

Communism Is Dead in Germany

By CARL D. GROAT
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (United Press.)—The Communist movement in Germany is, to all intents and purposes, deader than old Tutankamen.

One wild woman—wild is used advisedly—is trying to keep it alive. But this Red Joan-of-Arc—Emma-Golmansort-of-a-person, Ruth Fischer, has about as much chance of stirring Germany to communism as Emma Goldman (incidentally, now sojourning here) has of converting President Coolidge to anarchy.

Ruth Fischer, her name is something else, really, for she wedded a German Red leader to get citizenship and avoid expulsion, takes her orders direct from Moscow. It was she, with Rosie Wolffstein, red deputy of the Landtag, who tried recently to get up a couple of wild demonstrations against the police.

The police welcomed the challenge, as there was to be, according to their trumpeting announcements, "a great attack against the greenies." They rolled out the finest assortment of rifled, bayounetted men and tanks that Germany has seen since the day when "Spartacism" was spreading in a temporary terror through the land.

Show Was Brief.

Ruth and Rosie were there in all their glory, cursing the police and trying to incite boyish and girlish followers to deeds of desperate daring against the "greenies." But somehow the long-haired boys and short-haired girls didn't excite. They jostled the police a bit, and the police, just by way of showing who's who and why, let off a few shots, sending some communists, with cooled ardor and bullet holes, to the hospital. Then the show was over.

The fearful communists departed posthaste for shelter.

The fiction is still maintained by the police and certain other overnmental branches that a "Communistic danger" exists in Germany. Correspondents in Germany help the myth along from time to time, either consciously or unconsciously. And the American press, with its eight-column streamers, does the rest.

The Hamburg Riots.

The Hamburg riots, costing quite a few lives, were communist-planned. They were rough stuff while they lasted. But they did not by any stretch of the imagination mean that communism was on the growth in Germany. In fact, the quickness with which they were suppressed showed the inherent feebleness of the movement.

Likewise, the Reichwehr "cleanup of communists" in Saxony and Thuringia was a bit of theatricals. There was, and is, a Red movement in Saxony and Thuringia, but it is by far not so dangerous as the German army and Government pictured it. The lack of resistance, the quick "cleanup," proved how really harmless the Reds there were.

Communism in Germany really died in 1921 in mid-German disturbances which were suppressed with a ruthless hand.

Germany is inherently opposed to communism. Food riots here and there do not mean communism. The German has the patience of a Job. He stands a lot of hunger and abuse; another nation would probably turn red. But Germany isn't thinking of doing it.

MUSICAL AND JURY FOUND HIM GUILTY

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (United Press)—Perpetration of musical atrocities upon an innocent world must not prejudice a jury in a liquor case, Judge A. B. Anderson has ruled in Federal Court here.

John Sadler of Chicago was on trial charged with violation of the Federal prohibition laws.

"He told me he wrote 'Barney Google,'" a prohibition agent testified.

"He's not on trial for that," Judge Anderson said.

Despite the judge's admonition to the jury it took just six minutes to find Sadler guilty.

Navarro County oil fields, including both shallow and Woodbine producing areas in 1923 yielded approximately 30,000,000 barrels of crude.

Transportation to the oil fields, at a standstill the last week in the old year, is again starting. With a few days of fair weather, activity will resume with a vim.

The Texas Company's Autry at Powell is reported as coming in as a salt water well. It is being pumped full of mud, according to latest reports.

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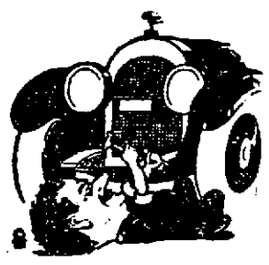

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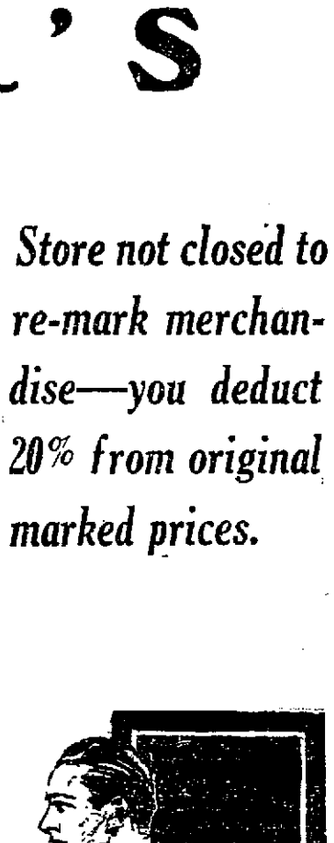

Suits and O'Coats

$29.50 value	$23.60
$31.50 value	$25.20
$32.50 value	$26.00
$35.00 value	$28.00
$37.50 value	$30.00
$38.50 value	$30.80

Blue Serges Included.

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$ 4.50 value	$3.60
6.00 value	$4.80
7.50 value	$6.00
8.50 value	$6.80
10.00 value	$8.00
11.00 value	$8.80
14.50 Stacy Adams	$11.60
15.00 Stacy Adams	$12.00

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4.00 value	$3.20
5.00 value	$4.00
6.00 value	$4.80
7.00 Stetson	$5.60
8.00 Stetson	$6.40
8.50 Stetson	$6.80
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7.50 Silk now	$6.00
9.50 Silk now	$7.60

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6.50 value	$5.20

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Announcement

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—We have recently moved three doors north of the Post Office. In this building we have installed some new machinery and are equipped in every way to take care of your business in a way that will please you. Our phone number is the same as it has always been, that is 17. Call us for service. If you have a garment that you want out in a hurry we are prepared to give you the quickest possible service. We shall appreciate your calls.

MAJESTIC TAILORS

OACHES WANT PLAYERS WHO THINK

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

EW YORK, Jan. 3.—Two promi- t football coaches of big eastern ns were discussing players who had inguished themselves during the season and the conversation led what they considered the most red faculty in a player.

I'll take the player with a brain," said. "If he can think he can be ght, considering, of course, that he fair ability or he wouldn't be on squad,"

elaborating, he went on:

I saw a quarterback last season should have been the outstanding er of years. He could run, pass, ive kick and tackle, but he had no t it was all about when the sion arose for him to think."

is no new theory that you can't h an athlete to think and many nples keep popping up from time to to prove it.

ugler Lake lost the British tamweight championship in Lon- recently on a decision to Johnny wn.

wo nights before he was to de- his title, Lake took part in an ibition show and he fought 20 e-minute rounds against 10 light- ghts and welterweights, who were wn into the ring, one after an- r, for two rounds against him.

o one can accuse that boy of think- beyond the speed of common rse sense.

nother example from London: ack Bloomfield, British heavy- ght, had the British title practical- inched in a recent bout with Frank dard, a fighter who wouldn't get b as a sparring partner for a third- fighter in this country.

oddard had been on the floor sev- times and he was out on his feet. couldn't have gone 20 rounds if mfield didnt put another glove on

It would have been impossible Bloomfield to lose the decision,

loomfield rushed him as he was ing up off the floor hit him a mild while he was down, technically, lost the contest and the title on a ul.

ohnny Dundee, rated as one of the rtest fighters in the business, has tal slips along with the rest of n.

undee thought he was smart igh and brainy enough to get along out a manager. He signed articles a fight with Benny Leonard last mer and his end would have been ast $35,000.

st a week or so before the date duled for the fight, Dundee went Philadelphia for an "easy work- fight with Kid Wagner.

agner beat him all over the place, dee hurt his hand along with it the promoters called off the bout h Leonard.

he pigmy camel belongs to a spe- found only in Western Persia. It ly five feet high and snow white.

Irwin Lacey of Waco was a visitor Mexia Monday.

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NOTICE

Bids will be received by the City Secretary of the City of Mexia up to five o'clock of Jan. 15th, 1924 for the paving N. Kaufman Street from the north line of Sumpter Street to city limits. Plans and specifications on file at the office of the City Engineer.

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E. WATSON, Mayor.
(10t) R. D. MORGAN, City Secy.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking our friends and neighbors of Shiloh for the nice boxes and other things sent us also for their help during the siege of measels. Words cannot express our appreciation for the kindness. Again we thank every one of you.

Charlie Jackson and Wife.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ford of Corsicana were visitors to Mexia Monday.

Pay your poll tax.

Rebels Retreat State Federals Of Old Mexico

By FREDERICK G. NEUMEIER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 1.—Rebel forces under General Sanchez are retreating towards Cordoba, Jalapa and Vera Cruz, the War Office said today.

Capture of Federal General Lazaro Cardenas, chief of operations in the State of Michoacan is confirmed, the statement said.

General Cardenas was taken by rebels at Aamazaula, in the State of Jalisco, after he had been wounded. He now is in a hospital at Gaudalajaras, Jalsco.

The body of Federal General Paulino Navarro has been brought to Mexico City. He was killed in combat with the rebels on the Jalasco front.

M. M. Rogers of Waco was in Mexia Monday on business.

University Students Making Geological Bap Blance County

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 3.—Under the supervision of Dr. H. P. Bybee, associate professor of Geology af the University of Texas here, advanced geology students of the school are making a geological map of Blanco county.

Work is being done at present just north of the Perdenales River. The students are exploring the country and as they study the geography of the county they also take note of the geology.

The map will be ready for publication some time next year. The last geological map of Blanco county was made in 1884.

Pay your poll tax.

Jake Made This Man See Ku Klux Klan

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 3.—"Police —help—Ku Klux Klan!"

Police came on the run to a downtown corner where a small, thin man was struggling with a lamppost and shaking with fear. Asked what the trouble was he could only gasp, "Ku Klux Klan." He was assured no one was after him and departed in peace.

A few hours later, however, police were called to a downtown hotel by the same cry. In the corner, cowering behind furniture, was the same midget, screaming "Ku Klux Klan."

This time police searched him rigidly and brought to light an empty bottle of "Jake."

African crocidiles frequently carry a great assortment of bracelets and trinkets in their stomachs.

"Balky Horse" Methods Used on Dallas Prisoners

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 3.—A new method of punishing prisoners at the city prison farm which harkens back to the time of the pilgrim fathers, is now in effect here.

Unurly inmates who heretofore have been given extra perious or service and other penalties are now tied to a post and left to stand there until they decide to work.

The plan was prescribed by Mayor Louis Blaylock and is proving effective, authorities at the farm said.

Charles Dickens was always an opponent of orphanages, believing in private homes for parentless children.

Moved!

—We have moved from our old home on North Sherman Street to our new home, opposite the Prendergast-Smith National Bank on Commerce Street.

—Formal announcement of our opening will appear in a later issue of this paper.

The Boston Store

Jay Nedler Irving Nedler

THANKS!

We are really too busy to write an ad today, but we wish to thank you all for the past patronage you have given us. And we feel sure that we have given you your money's worth. So we sleep well.

We are crowded with repair work and ask the public to be as patient with us as you can, and we will soon be able to give you prompt service as usual. In a few days we expect to be in our new location next door to the City National Bank.

Thanks to all.

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Seats on sale at Bennetts Drug Store Now.
Prices: $2.00, $1.50, $1.00 and 75c, plus tax.

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Our faith in our ability to make it worth your while to do business with us and in our policy of fair dealing may be fairly stated in this language:

"We are willing that this bank shall prosper only if and as we are able to assist in bringing prosperity to our patrons."

We think you will agree that we couldn't afford to take that stand unless we intend to truly serve.

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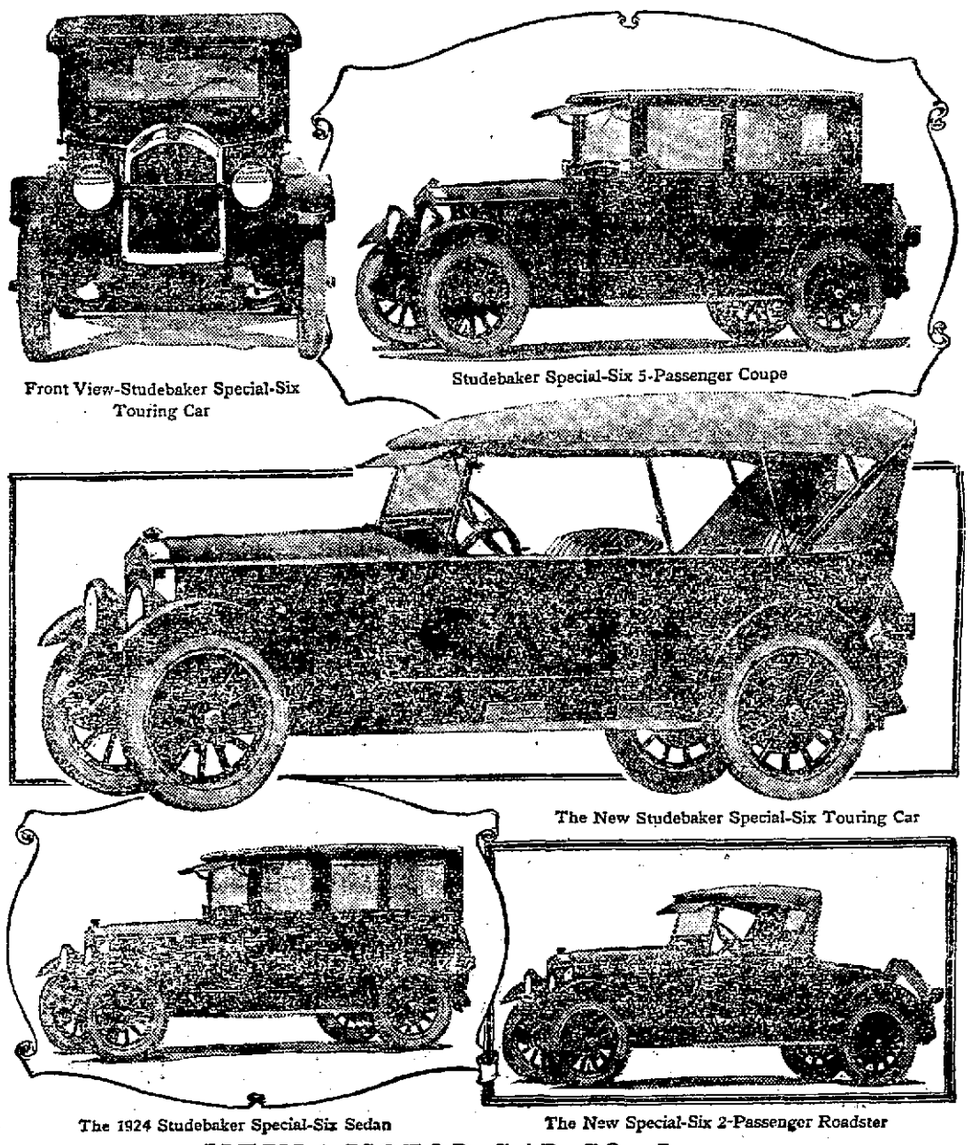
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WESTMINSTER BEGINS WORK OF '24

Westminster College began the second term of the year with every indication of a record success. All students reported with the exception of one or two who have not yet arrived, and several new ones registered.

Among the new students who came in are: Murray Jeffries, Buell Jefferies, both of Lake Creek, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hastings, of Foss, Oklahoma, Thelma Laird of Coolidge.

Basket Ball practice began at the college Wednesday afternoon with a large number reporting for the team. Westminster, with a star aggregation, will stand high among the Junior Colleges this year in Basket Ball, and will be a strong contender for the State championship.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Lew Tendler, Philadelphia lightweight, was badly beaten in a 10-round bout by Nate Goldman, Philadelphia. Tendler was down for the count of nine in the first and fifth rounds.

NEW YORK.—Bud Taylor, Terre Haute bantamweight, won a 12-round decision from Sammy Nable, New York.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Although knocked down twice, Rocky Kansas, Buffalo lightweight, finished strong enough to win a 10-round decision from Teddy Myers.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—With a strong finish, Andy Chaney, Baltimore lightweight, won a 12-round decision from Archie Walker, New York.

AKRON, Ohio.—Joe Lynch, world's bantamweight champion, stopped Jimmy Murphy, St. Louis, in the third round after flooring him twice in the second.

PITTSBURGH.—Pancho Villa, flyweight champion easily won a 10-round decision from Tony Norman, Pittsburgh.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Kid Williams, former world's bantam champion, won a 12-round decision from Midget Smith of New York.

COLUMBUS, Ohio.—Lew Bloom, bantamweight, won the decision over Young Roberts, Panhandle star; Frankie Callahan won from Billie Kimm when the referee stopped the fight in the eighth round.

CINCINNATI.—Knock Otu Marrs, Cincinnati lightweight, shaded Tony Zill of Youngstown in a 10-round bout.

CANTON, Ohio.—Georgie Michels Jamestown, N. Y., won from Willie Ames, Akron, in ten rounds.

MANSFIELD, Ohio.—Billy Baker of Cleveland who claims to hold the bantamweight championship of Ireland was knocked out in the sixth round by Al Dundee Mansfield. Johnny Horvah, junior lightweight won a newspaper decision from Jack McLean, Detroit featherweight in ten rounds.

It Speaks Volumes.

(From the Detroit Free Press)

The silence of Senator Borah regarding the candidacy of his side partner. Hi Johnson, is sensationally eloquent.

W. E. Fredd of Tyler was a visitor to the city Sunday and Monday.

Pay your poll tax.

LONE STAR GAS LINE TO BE REPAIRED BY JAN. 1

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Jan. 2.—The Lone Star Gas company announces that its trunk line from Oklahoma to Texas will be in service again over Red river, at Byars, early in January, according to Theo. Fritzner, president of the Glenhoma Oil syndicate, who was here recently making arrangements to move the Oklahoma office of the syndicate to Oklahoma City.

Floods washed out the Lone Star line about the middle of October and the company took no gas from the Stephens, Cotton and Comanche county fields until December 10. At that time a temporary line across the river had been installed. The Lone Star has been taking apporximately 25 per cent of the gas from that territory.

An extension of gathering lines in Cotton and Stephen counties to oil wells is contemplated by the American Pipe Line company of Wichita Falls. This company recently increased its capital stock from $200,000 to $500,000 for the purpose principally of making Oklahoma extensions. Its trunk line from Burkburnett enters Oklahoma through Walters.

PARIS SOON DOGLESS

PARIS (By mail to United Press.)—In 1913 Paris had 73,793 canine inhabitants. The 1923 figures show only 49,286. What has become of the 25,000 missing dogs in the past ten years? dog lovers are asking. Most of them are put to death in the dog pound.

One answer is that the high cost of food and the doubling of the dog tax has made owning a dog a luxury out of reach of many people.

WILL SELL 22 room apartment furnished at 812 East Palestine street cheap for cash, or will give easy terms on a small cash payment or may take a '23 or '24 Cherrolet or trade for Dallas property as first payment. Call or write 1224 First Ave., Dallas, Texas. 3J7

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Compiled By N. P. Houx
From Files of Mexia Evening News
Of Jan. 3, 1899.

Miss Gerda Epperson visited friends in Wortham during the holidays.

M. L. McDonald, Jr., spent the holidays in Belton.

Miss Sallie Smith visited relatives and friends in Calvert during the holidays.

Minor Tidwell is still confined to his bed with fever.

John R. Corley returned from St. Louis today after an absence from home of about a week.

Will Oliphant with his family has moved back to Mexia after a short residence in Groesbeck.

Two of Mexia's young men, Clarence Cox and Tom Gibson, are in Cuba, members of the First North Carolina band.

H. L. Hall returned from a business visit to North Texas last night.

There will be a meeting of the Minute Men at the armory tomorrow night. All members are urged to be present as business of importance will be acted on.

Editorial—Teddy Roosevelt has been inaugurated as governor of New York, and is now in a good position to rough ride over Tom Platt.

POLITICS FAIL TO INTEREST MEXIA

According to those acquainted with the public sentiment in this section, the new year finds but little interest in the elections of 1924. With arrangements for the new year completed, however, interest will assume large proportions, they say.

So far there has been only one political announcement made. County Judge H. F. Kirby of Groesbeck has made known his entrance into the campaign for re-election, having issued his announcement through the county press. An attack on the highway commission especially directed against the new law just becoming effective, is said to be one of the chief planks in his platform.

According to the authorities poll tax payments are much lighter in Limestone county than in previous years. There have been less than 200 poll taxes paid in this city so far. However, tax collectors are busy and the number of poll tax payments is very apt to pick up considerably as the time for payment draws to a close.

Mrs. Christine Bradley South, daughter of a former governor of Kentucky, is being seriously discussed for the republican nomination for United States senator from that State next year.

STRONG PICTURE DRAMA

The Paramount picture, "The Light That Failed," directed by George Melford and featuring Jacqueline Logan, Percy Marmont, Sigrid Holmquist and David Torrence, will be the feature at the National theatre today. The story is a love melodrama by Rudyard Kipling. The screen play is said to be highly entertaining.

Pay your poll tax.

Women form the majority mem ship of the homestead and bui and loan associations throug Louisiana, according to an offici port just issued.

NOTICE

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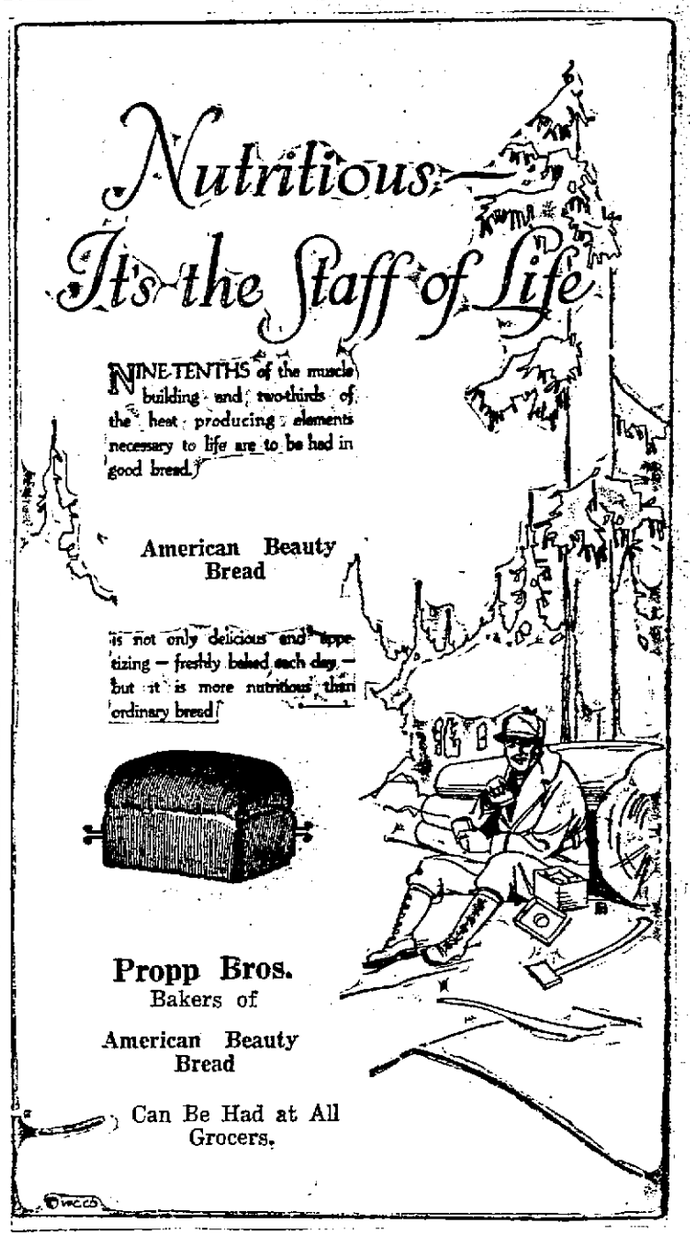
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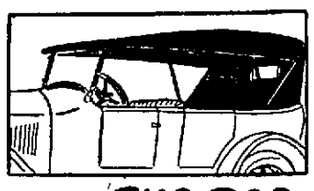

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Now is the time to repair that worn top. The winter months are ahead of us. A winter top adjusted of our special design will make your open car surpassed only by the more expensive closed models. The comfort and protection you will receive from this top will more than prove that you have made a wise investment. See us at once for prices, etc.

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You will now be able to get the same service on your cars electrical system that you would from the factory. As we were required to put in a complete stock of parts and the most up-to-date equipment for doing this work, you can rest assured that you will get a thoroughly workman-like job at a reasonable price and one that we can GUARANTEE.

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Attention Housekeepers

Buy your heating stoves now before it gets cold. I have a large stock of all kinds of Heaters, Cook Stoves, Dishes, Aluminum Vessels of all kinds. In fact, I carry most anything to be found in a modern hardware store for the housekeeper.

Attention Farmers

I sell the celebrated line of Oliver Implements, Peter Schuttler Wagons, Birdsell Wagons, Hercules Buggies. I am headquarters for the good old handmade harness that wears like a pig's nose. The best collars, bridles and lines as cheap as good ones can be sold.

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We handle some second hand furniture.

Whether you buy or not, we are always glad to see you.

By City Hall Mexia — **WALTON'S** — By Post Office Corsicana

WHAT ABOUT THEM?

There's no distress like widowhood! Particularly is this true where no money or estate is left for her surviving days.

Do you want to leave your widow, your mother or your children in that position. Are you going to impose upon their inexperience?

Come to us and let's talk it over. Let your Life Insurance policy be the protection policy. We have many interesting plans at moderate costs.

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The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

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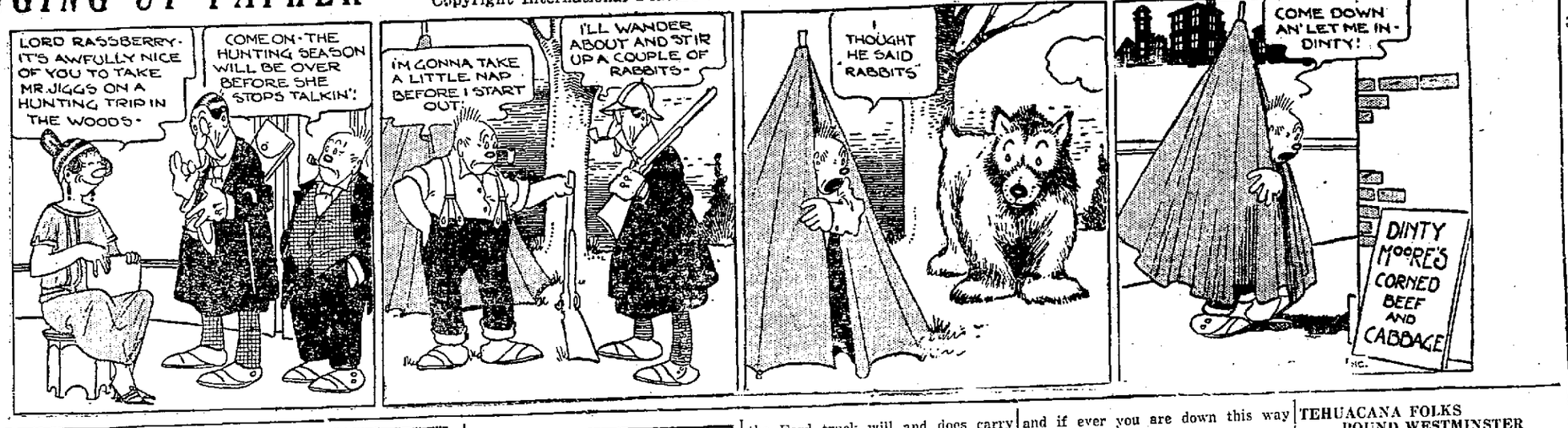
By George McManus


LORD RASSBERRY- IT'S AWFULLY NICE OF YOU TO TAKE MR JIGGS ON A HUNTING TRIP IN THE WOODS-
COME ON- THE HUNTING SEASON WILL BE OVER BEFORE SHE STOPS TALKIN'!
I'M GONNA TAKE A LITTLE NAP BEFORE I START OUT.
I'LL WANDER ABOUT AND STIR UP A COUPLE OF RABBITS-
I THOUGHT HE SAID RABBITS
COME DOWN AN' LET ME IN- DINTY!
DINTY MOORE'S CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE

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DID YOU KNOW that there are many changes dailp in Mexia's rooming houses. These individuals watch this column constantly for available rooms. The column offers its service in helping rent your rooms. Give particulars in your ad. That's what the reader wants.

HELP WANTED—A

WANTED—Nursing by experienced nurse. Obstetrical cases a specialty. Terms reasonable. Phone 557-J. 2A20

AN INTELLIGENT PERSON, either sex, may earn $100 to $200 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $15 to $25 weekly in spare time; experience unnecessary; no canvassing; subjects suggested. Send for particulars. National Press Bureau, Buffalo, N. Y. 3A3

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WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10tf.

FOR SALE—J

FOR SALE—390 opera chairs, 12 ceiling fans, 2 exhaust fans, 2 gas radiators, 1 fire extinguisher, 1 lot light globes, 2 second hand cars. O. Lewis, 407 South Ross. 31J7

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BARGAINS—Wardrobe Exchange—Dresses, $2; Coat suits, $7; Coats, $4; Furs, $4. All kinds of dressmaking. 113 North McKinney. 28J7

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FOR RENT—Desirable two and three room apartments, conveniently located, all modern conveniences, lights, gas and water, furnished. Reasonable rates. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. Telephone 633. 8L26

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It Was Too Good to Be True.

(From the Detroit Free Press)

Rome denies officially that the Fiume row has been settled. But nobody believed that such a thing could happen anyhow.

The bureau of Jewish research reports that the United States now leads the world in Jewish population. New York has more than five times as many Jews as Vienna or Warsaw.

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Letters from People

NEW HIGHWAY LAW

Mexia Daily News:

There seems to be considerable misunderstanding in regard to the revised State Highway law, especially in regard to the regsitration of commercial motor vehicles or trucks. We do not thoroughly understand the law, and doubt if the framers of it do either, but are quoting a few sections which will be of interest to all truck owners.

After giving the tables of weights and fees charged the law further reads:

"Section 16 F. If any person shall operate, or permit to be operated any motor vehicle licensed under this act of a greater weight than stated in his application, he shall be liable to pay to the tax collector of any county in Texas, thru or into which he shall operate, or cause to be operated, such vehicle, the full license fee provided for the class to which such motor vehicles properly belongs. . . . . "

To ascertain the license fee of a truck, you take the total weight of the truck, including body, and its net carrying capacity. Another section of the law states that a truck owner will not be permitted to use a truck on the highways if same has a load in excess of ten per cent of the manufacturers' rated carrying capacity.

All of the above simply means, in the case of a Ford truck, that in computing the weight fee that in addition to the weight of the truck and body you shoul add the manufacturers rated carrying capacity of the truck, which is 2000 pounds or one ton. It is a well known fact that the Ford truck will and does carry considerable over a ton if desired and if it was registered as a ton truck, the user, when carrying a load in excess of 2000 pounds, could be arrested in every county thru which he operated, and charged an additional fee based upon the actual weight of the load.

In order to avoid this, the automobile dealers of Texas have secured a ruling from the State Highway Department, to permit owners to register their trucks for a carrying capacity of 50% in excess of the manufacturers' rated carrying capacity. Thus a Ford ton truck can be registered as a ton and a half truck and could then carry a load of 3300 pounds without being subject to a penalty.

Section 16 L provides a penalty of $200.00 for the operation of a truck which is not equipped with a "rear view mirrow placed and maintained so that the driver shall at all times be able to see other vehicles approaching from the rear." This is a section that is violated by 95% of the truck owners and should it be enforced rigidly would bring in almost enough revenue to pay all the outstanding road bonds of the entire state.

We trust that the above information will be of value to the truck owners of this vicinity and will be glad to give any further information to those desiring it.—F. W. Welch.

MAD DOG

Kountze, Texas, Dec. 26, 1923.

Dear Mr. Newman,

Mexia, Texas.

I have just received a copy from you of the Mexia Daily News with my letter published, and thank you very much for your kindness. And will say that we have heard from the dog's head we sent to Austin. Report came back that the dog certainly had hydrophobia in a very pronounced form. So thanking you again for your kindness and if ever you are down this way come and see us.

Very respectfully,
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FIRE WORKS ARE DANGEROUS FOR CHILDREN

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 2.—Willie Martha Hall, 22 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hall, was among the first of Houston Christmas casaulties.

Mistaking a torpedo for a piece of candy, the infant bit downon it and it exploded. Doctors sewed up a two inch gash in her cheek and she spent Christmas in the hospital.

It is estimated that there are sixteen tons of micropic shellfish in every cubic mile of the ocean.

Pay your poll tax.

TEHUACANA FOLKS POUND WESTMINSTER COLLEGE PRESIDENT

Not content with surprising their postor, Rev. H. M. Thompson, with a large Christmas shower, about fifty or more Tehuacana people invaded the home of Dr. E. R. Biggs, president of Westminster, last Christmas night loaded with eats and good things of all description.

The surprised host and family and the guests enjoyed a very agreeable evening.

DELAYED CHRISTMAS CARD

SANDERSON, Texas, Jan. 3.—If your Christmas presents were delayed in the mails and you're peeved at the postman, harken to this:

Miss William Schupback of Sanderson, has just received a Christmas card mailed by a friend in Leahey eight years ago.

"Merry Christmas," the card read.

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank of Mexia, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 8, 1924, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may proprely come before it.

Mexia, Texas, December 8th, 1923.
W. G. FORREST, Cashier.

(10-17-24-31-7)

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15	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:44 p. m
31	Dallas Ft. Worth	12:50 p. m
37	Dallas Ft. Worth	5:14 a. m.
17	Dallas Ft. Worth	4:35 a. m.
19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m.

South bound—

346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m
16	Houston San Antonio	11:45 a. m
32	From Dallas	10:08 a. m.
38	Austin San nAtonio	12:21 a. m
18	Houston San Antonio	1:37 a. m
20	Houston San Antonio	12:16 a. m

T. & B. V.
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No. 8—3:25 p. m.

South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

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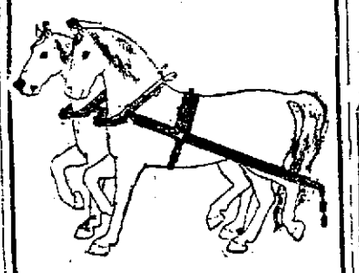

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EIGHT HOUR DAY SOLVING MANY PROBLEMS OF INDUSTRY

By S. P. HOLLINGSWORTH
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 3. (United Press.)—The labor policy in a number of the basic industries is changing.

A survey of industrial and employment conditions throughopt Pennsylvania, obtained exclusively by the United Press, indicates that men and management in many instances are reaching a better understanding than has been known in the past.

This condition is reported to be having marked influence on the chances of prosperity in 1924.

The "era of good feeling" which seems to be at hand in industry has three explanations. They are:

1—Establishment of the eight-hour day, notably in the steel and anthracite industries.

2—Investment opportunities offered employes, stimulating interest in the management, and participation in the profits.

3—The shortage of skilled labor creating keen competition among employers for continued services of workers, thereby reducing labor turnover.

The effect of this condition has been noted generally in the labor situation in Pennsylvania. There is very little unemployment, and what there is has been classed as "floating." Demand for common labor having fallen off, this element has increased.

Industry Stabilized.

The gradual stabilization has been in process of development in building construction, the steel industry and transportation. Coal mining is making a desperate effort to stablize itself.

The building industry, on the other hand, has made marked progress, especially in Pennsylvania. As a seasonal industry, building was one of the few large industries with labor tournover the invariable rule. Now, it appears, contractors are going ahead with inside work and are retaining their most competent men, principally because they do not want other contractors to get them when operations are resumed in the Spring.

There is more building work going on in Pennsylvania today than ever has been known in the previous history of the commonwealth.

The eigh-hour day in the steel industry, according to reliable reports, has attracted the better type of men, with the result that more are retained in employment and there is less turnover. The men acquire proficiency and their services are cultivated by the management. This condition prevails in spite of dull activity in iron and steel.

The transportation companies, especially the Pennsylvania Railroad, in their recent layoff revealed a decided labor policy. It was regarded as a definite move toward stablization. The strategy of the Pennsylvania system was said to be to effect closer cooperation between men and manegement. Many of those who were laid off will never return, while some will come back to find a totally different attitude on the part of the management.

Coal mining, the industry for which Pennsylvania is noted, is less static than any other, but a desperate effort is being made on the part of operators and the mine leaders to obtain more even and steady production as a matter of self-preservaion.

Hughes Morrow 1 Continues High Production Rate

According to Phil Ross, superintendening field activity of Carter and Lytel, an Iowa concern, the test being drilled on the Hackney lease between Mexia and Wortham is making satisfactory progress downwards.

Some new development also will be started in the Currie field within the next few weeks, since the second sand in this field is holding out better than was at first expected, also the price of this oil has recently advanced 40c a barrel.

The Hughes-Morrow No. 1, which flowed as a big gusher for several months and was sanded off, for some time has been averaging about 3,500 barrels a day for the last two or three weeks.

FLAPPERS VINDICATED

EUGENE, Ore. (United Press.)—Vindication of the flappers' cry that they "simply had to" has come from a physician here. Ray Blaine, local barber, recently cut off 8 pounds of coal-black hair from the head of a girl, aged 15, at her physician's orders. Much of the strength needed to develop her body was going into her wonderful head of hair, her physician said.

WINNIPEG, Man.—The Grand champion bull of the Aberdeen Angus class at the Chicabo International Livestock Show went to James D. MacGregor of Brandon, on Black Cap Revolution.

Pay your poll tax.

Limestone County Citizens Begin To Send In Returns

Income tax returns for the year 1923 are now being sent from here to the collector of internal revenue at Austin, in which district Mexia and Limestone County are located. Quite a number were sent in even before the new year opened.

The period of filing returns is from Jan. 1 to March 15, after which a penalty accrues, unless an extension is granted.

The first filing of an income tax return for the year 1923 was made Wednesday morning. Very few others were filed during the day and the rush will not occur until toward the end of the period, two months hence. The advice of the collector to the public to to come early and avoid the rush, which becomes intense during the early part of the month.

Blanks for income tax returns have been mailed from the collectors office to all persons who made renditions at this office last year. The task of mailing them was of itself no light one. Receipt of the blanks filled out according to instructions will begin in a few days. In addition many who do not receive the blanks by mail will come to the office to get them and those who are not able to make them out properly will receive assistance from the deputies and clerks in the office.

Tax return blanks for 1923 are practically the same as they were for 1922, although the blanks known as Form 1040 have been simplified. There have been no changes or modifications of the law in so far as they affect the income of the salaried man whose cash receipts do not exceed $5,000 a year. A few rulings have been made by the Treasury Department since last year affecting the tax of smaller incomes, it is said, but these are not material.

Under the law as it now stands in reference to individual income tax returns each unmarried man must fill out a blank and make a return if he receives as much as $1,000 per annum and each married man if he receives as much as $2500.

MISSING GIRLS ARE LURED BY MOVIES

LOS ANGELES (United Press.)—The lure of the movies is given by the National Association of Travelers' Aid Societies as the reason for more than twice as many women and girls dropping out of sight in Los Angeles than in any other large city in the country in proportion to population in the annual compilation of statistics.

In Los Angeles, alone, according to their figures, 1,120 women, mostly under the age of 21, were reported missing in 1922. All but 900, however, had been located, either dead or alive, up to Dec. 31.

Reports from thirty-seven other cities give a total of 31,638 men, women and children who disappeared, of whom 2,500 were never found.

Among individual reports of cities, the statement said, police reports show that 2,446 girls and women were reported missing during the year in New York; 1,549 in Chicago; Philadelphia, 1,006; St. Louis, 798; San Francisco, 471, and Detroit, 311. About 92 per cent of the missing were finally located

HALIFAV, N. S.—Discovery of three new scallop beds situated near the Lurcher Lightship, off the coast of Yarmouth County, Nova Scotia, is announced.

WINNIPEG, Man.—On railways in western Canada more than 250,000,000 bushels of grain have been loaded this season.

Chicago To Have Largest Hotel

CHICAGO, Jan. 3 (United Press.)—A thirty-two-story hotel, costing $22,000,000, is to replace the Congress of Chicago, one of America's best known hotels.

The hotel will be the largest in the world. It will contain 3,000 rooms and will be constructed in units.

The first unit, costing $5,000,000, will be known as the "bachelors'" hotel and will have 800 rooms, a gymnasium, tank, Turkish and Russian baths, runnin track, squash course, billiard room, grill, etc.

A banquet and convention hall, seating 2,000 persons, will be the main feature of the second unit, also to cost $5,000,000. It will contain 700 rooms.

All of the present structure, except the famous Peacock Alley and Pompian Room, will be demolished.

The Congress has always been the political centre for national conventions.

Pay your poll tax.

R. E. Gloze of Corsicana spent Monday in the city.

T. E. Larrison of Corsicana spent Monday in Mexia.

Moss Evans of Waco was a visitor to the city Monday.

H. W. Stressel of San Angelo was in the city Monday.

I. A. Neal of Marlin was here Monday.

W. L. Cornelius of Ranger was a Tuesday visitor to the city.

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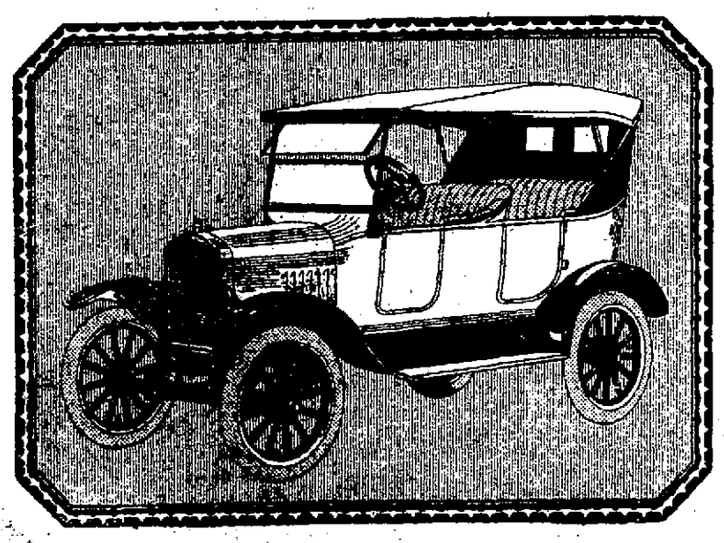

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